

U.S. NOTES TO POWERS ARE MAIN TOPIC

AMERICAN WARNING TO GER-
MANY AND GREAT BRITAIN
DOMINATES DIPLOMATIC TALK

WILL BACK UP OUR WARNING

John Callan O'Laughlin Writes That
Situation Seems Favorable On
Certain Terms.

U. S. NOTES DOMINATE.

(Associated Press)
The diplomatic situation is domi-
nated by the American notes to Great
Britain and Germany, especially in
Germany where the newspapers and
the public are insisting that the Ger-
mans' submarine policy be pursued
relentlessly. It is held in Berlin that
Germany is facing starvation at the
hands of Great Britain and that there
is no other course to pursue.

The London Pall Mall Gazette at-
taches immense significance to the
phrase in America's note to Germany
—"or cause death of American citi-
zens"—as meaning that Americans
aboard British ships will be equally
protected by the government as those
on board American ships.

London newspapers unite in the
opinion that neutral flags will be used
by British vessels only as an intima-
tion that there are neutral passen-
gers and goods on board.

John Callan O'Laughlin, Washing-
ton correspondent for the Chicago
Herald, and recognized as one of the
most brilliant and successful men of
his profession at the national capital
writes his paper as follows concern-
ing the situation in which the United
States finds itself after it snotes of
protest to Great Britain and Ger-
many, which notes were published in
full in Friday evening's Telegraph:

Washington, Feb. 12.—Having
laid down the principles in its notes
to Germany and Great Britain which
are absolutely essential for the pres-
ervation of American commerce, the
United States must see that those
principles are observed.

The realization of this fact struck
the cabinet at its meeting today and
lent a feeling of solemnity to the dis-
cussion which took place. So far as
Great Britain is concerned, it is fully
expected that it will disavow "ex-
plicit sanction" of the practice of
the use of the American flag and
will merely declare its rights to use
the flag on occasions such as are ad-
mitted by this government.

Negotiate on Contraband.
Moreover, the contraband question
which is considered at length in the
note received last night and today
from Sir Edward Grey, the British
minister for foreign affairs, is in
process of negotiation, and negotia-
tion usually brings an amicable ad-
justment.

Finally all danger of the develop-
ment of questions in connection with
government acquisition of interned
ships has disappeared by a refusal of
Congress to enact the president's ship
purchase bill.

The situation, so far as Great Brit-
ain is concerned, consequently seems
favorable. It is true that questions
are certain to arise in the future that
may give cause for serious apprehen-
sion.

For example, Great Britain may
attempt, in its response to the Ger-
man "war zone" decree, to issue fur-
ther restrictive orders relating to

May Consolidate School Districts In Alto Township

Petitions Asking For Election On
Proposition Being
Signed

Steward, Ill., Feb. 13.—Special to
the Telegraph.—A petition is being
circulated in this vicinity asking the
consolidation of three or four school
districts in Alto townships, and the
papers are being freely signed and
without doubt will receive the neces-
sary three-fourth of the names that
are necessary according to the law
to bring the question before the
board of trustees.

If the petition is granted it will
be necessary to build a larger school
house and add at least two more teach-
ers to the faculty. Under the new
order of things, if the plans of those
who wish to consolidate the districts
go through, pupils of these districts
will be able to complete their high
school course without going out of
town. At present pupils can get but
two years in high school in the Ste-
ward schools.

neutral commerce, such as an in-
crease of its surveillance over the
North Sea, which the United States
cannot and will not tolerate. As it
is the United States has not approved
or consented to the British closure of
the North Sea, although what was
done ostensibly was in the interest
of neutral commerce and designed to
see that neutral ships passed safely
through mine-strewn fields of that
arm of the ocean.

Outside of its own immediate waters
Great Britain has no right to in-
terfere with neutral ships save by
visit and search and any attempt to
do so would be followed by as vigor-
ous a note as that which was trans-
mitted yesterday to the German govern-
ment.

German Situation Dynamic.

The situation with reference to
Germany is different. Indeed, it is
dynamic. There is no question that
the German government and the Ger-
man people resent what they term
our friendly neutrality in the interest
of the allies. They know that no
formal protest was delivered against
the British procedure in the North
Sea. They know that shipments of
foodstuffs to Germany from the
United States have been seized by
British cruisers, although such ship-
ments were not consigned to the Ger-
man army or navy, or to German for-
tified ports.

They feel that the United States
has not been sufficiently earnest in
protesting against the extension of
the contraband list. They see, on
the other hand that the United States
is selling freely to England and her
allies foodstuffs, munitions of war;
in other words this country has be-
come a base for their enemies.

Argument Gains Nothing.

It is useless to argue that for the
United States to refuse to sell to the
allies would be unneutral and per-
haps a belligerent act; that Germany
herself has sold foodstuffs, munitions
and other products to countries
engaged in war; that if Germany
should gain command of the sea we
would sell her our products as readily
as we are now selling them to the
allies.

In the midst of a titanic struggle
in which a people are fighting for
their lives, they can see but one
thing; either you are with us or you
are against us.

So there is apprehension in offi-
cial circles as to the character of the

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TWO MORE FEDERAL VETERINARIANS ARE HERE TO HELP OTIS

DRS. JEROME AND DRACK OF U.
S. AGRICULTURAL DEPT.
ARRIVED TODAY.

NO NEW CASES ARE REPORTED

War On Roaming Dogs Will Start
Tomorrow, According to
Proclamation.

Two more federal veterinarians ar-
rived in Dixon this morning to assist
in the fight to stamp out the foot and
mouth epidemic, which has assumed
such serious proportions in this coun-
ty. They are Doctors Jerome and
Drack, and they have been assigned
to assist Dr. G. M. Otis, who is in
charge of the work here. Dr. Otis
went to Chicago this morning for con-
sultation with Dr. Bennett, the fed-
eral official who is in charge of work
in the state.

No new cases of the disease have
been reported during the past forty-
eight hours, but although this is en-
couraging, the officials are experienc-
ing serious handicaps because of the
weather conditions. The rains and
thaws have made it almost impossible
to complete trenches which have been
started and as a result the slaughter
of infected cattle can not be accom-
plished as rapidly as the authorities
had hoped.

Dog War Starts.

The war on roaming dogs will start
tomorrow in accordance with State
Veterinarian Swingle's orders and in
his campaign to kill all dogs which
are allowed to run loose he will be as-
sisted by the local police and sheriff's
force.

RESUME FILIBUSTER ON SHIP PURCHASE

REPUBLICAN SENATORS BLOCK
ADMINISTRATION EFFORT
TO PASS THE BILL.

(Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 12.—The repub-
licans resumed their filibuster in the
senate against the ship purchase bill
today. When Senator Gore tried to
have the commerce committee dis-
charged and to use his substitute bill
as a basis for compromise, Senator
Burton took the floor and began a
long speech.

CHILDREN OF TWO HOMES PASS AWAY

HARRY GILBERT, SOUTH DIXON,
AND MARY KELLY, HARMON
IN LAST SLEEP.

Harry Frank, the four and a half
year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John
Gilbert, residing on the township
road in South Dixon township, died
Saturday morning at 4 o'clock. He
had been sick for the past five weeks
death being due to pneumonia. The
funeral will be held Monday after-
noon at 1 o'clock from the house,
Rev. Woods officiating. The inter-
ment will be at Oakwood cemetery.
Besides his parents he leaves to
mourn his death one brother and a
sister.

Harmon Child Dead.

Mary, the 8 year old daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kelly, residing
five miles south of Harmon, passed
away on Friday afternoon at 12:30
o'clock. She had never been very
strong and death was due to a com-
plication of nervous troubles. She
leaves to mourn her demise her par-
ents and four brothers. The fun-
eral will be held on Sunday afternoon
at 3 o'clock at the Harmon Catholic
church. Rev. Father McKeon officiat-
ing.

SIoux CITY ELKS WERE HERE

A committee of Sioux City, Ia. Elks
who are touring the middle west
states inspecting Elks' homes, spent
the morning in Dixon looking over
the Dixon club. From here they went
to Sterling. The Sioux City lodge is
contemplating the erection of a new
building.

THE WEATHER

Telegraph Barometer.
The weather
forecast for
the next 24
hours for nor-
thern Illinois
is: Unsettled
with rain to-
night. Tomor-
row rain or
snow and cool.

Rev. Beech Will Occupy Pulpit At M.E. Church

Will Tell of Work In China—Can-
tata at Evening
Service

Dr. Joseph Beech, president of the
West China University, located at
Chengtu, China, is to speak concern-
ing his experiences in China at the
M. E. church tomorrow at 10:45 a.
m. Dr. Beech is a son-in-law of Henry
Decker of North Hennepin avenue
and arrived in Dixon with his family
a few weeks ago. He has been in mis-
sion work in China for several years,
his last residence there covering a pe-
riod of six years.

During that time he has been elect-
ed president of the union university,
controlled jointly by the Baptist, Can-
adian, Methodist, English Friends,
Anglican and Methodist Episcopal
churches.

He has been in China during the
formation of the Chinese republic has
visited the president of China and
will have an interesting address to
give.

Shortly before Dr. Beech left China
the governor general of the province
in which the university is located
bade him a dinner to which the lead-
ing officials of the province were in-
vited. He presented Dr. Beech with a
written endorsement of the university
and \$3,000. On the following day an-
other official gave a dinner and made
a like gift. When he came to an audi-
ence with the president of China he
too gave a written endorsement of the
university and like the others with-
out solicitation gave to the fund and
not to be outdone by the lesser dig-
nitaris made his contribution \$4,-
000.

The purpose of the address tomor-
row is not to secure money but to in-
form the people of the city what Dr.
Beech and his wife are doing in Chi-
na.

At the evening service the chorus
choir of 35 voices will sing the can-
tata entitled "The Prodigal Son."

The soloists will be Mrs. Read,
Mrs. Harms, Miss Bennett, Mrs. Ed-
wards and Mr. Beach.

This cantata is one of the finest
musical compositions which this choir
has ever undertaken and the fact that
they have been preparing for it since
the holidays will indicate that they
are prepared to give it attractively.

John Morrissey of Walton was in
town today.

FAST TRAIN WILL LEAVE DIXON EARLIER

NEW TIME CARD WILL GO INTO
EFFECT ON CENTRAL, ON
SUNDAY, FEB. 28.

The new time card on the Illinois
Central road goes into effect Sun-
day, February 28, or two weeks from
tomorrow. As far as known the
only change will be in train No. 123,
due in this city south bound, at
11:15 a. m. Under the new card
this will be made a fast train and
will stop only at the important sta-
tions between Freeport and Clinton.
It will carry a through car to Spring-
field and will cut the time in arriv-
ing at the state capital by an hour
earlier. The train will leave Free-
port ten minutes earlier than at pre-
sent, or at 9:55 a. m. and will reach
Dixon at 11 a. m.

HANGED FOR CHILD'S MURDER

(Associated Press)
Chicago, Feb. 13.—Roswell C. F.
Smith was hanged here this morning
for the murder of Hazel Weinstein,
four years old.

Map of Naval War Zone Declared By Germans Around Great Britain.



This map shows the new naval war zone declared by Germany around
England with the purpose of starving England out. Germany notified the
world on Feb. 6 that on Feb. 18 she would declare England and the coast
of France blockaded. Germany's purpose is to keep the ports closed by
means of mines and submarines. This will endanger neutral merchant ships,
and grave complications may ensue. England is using neutral flags, par-
ticularly the American flag, to fool the Germans.

Rains Filling Small Streams; Ice Is Rotting

Ice Is Out Along South Shore
From Cement Plant
To Dam

The rains together with the melt-
ing of the snow and ice has filled the
small streams leading to the river
and the water in the river above the
dam has now raised a little over a
foot while below the dam it is up
sixteen inches. The water running
over the top of the ice is wearing
the top surface away gradually and
the water under the icy blanket is
having the same effect, so it is liable
to be pretty well worn when the ice
does break up. There is an open
space in the river along the south
shore from the cement plant down
to the dam. Along the north shore
the ice is yet pretty solid and it is
not liable to break for several days
unless an exceptionally warm spell
comes. It usually is March before
the ice moves out; any time earlier
there is liable to be a sudden change
in the temperature and gorges are
formed and then is when the danger
comes.

DENY NEW TRIAL FOR DOUGHERTY

SUPREME COURT REFUSES PRAY-
ER OF CONVICTED PEORIA
SCHOOL HEAD.

(Associated Press)
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 13.—The Illi-
nois supreme court today denied a
new trial to Newton C. Dougherty,
formerly superintendent of schools at
Peoria, who was twice convicted of
misappropriation of funds. Dougherty
is at liberty on bail. The board of par-
dons will consider his case Monday.

SHINGLES CAUGHT ON FIRE

Fire, which started from a burning
out chimney, threatened the destruc-
tion of the L. Sullivan home, College
avenue and Seventh street, at about
10:30 Friday night, but the blaze was
extinguished before it had gained
headway and the fire department was
not called. Several of the shingles had
caught fire before the conflagration
was discovered, but a bucket brigade
soon mastered the fire.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Wahl have re-
turned to their home in Iowa, being
called here by the death of his moth-
er in Sterling.

VICTORY OF GERMANS IS IMPRESSIVE

CLAIM TO HAVE CAPTURED 26,-
000 RUSSIANS IN EAST
POLAND.

RESUME FIGHTING IN ARGONNE

German Submarine Believed to Have
Sunk Two More of Enemy's
Steamers.

TO RESUME ATTACK

(Associated Press)
An Amsterdam dispatch says
that Emperor William received
Field Marshal Von Hindenberg
on the eastern battle front Fri-
day and it was decided to make
a renewed dash for Warsaw next
week. Emperor William is anx-
ious that the Polish capital be
taken before the next meeting of
the Reichstag in order to induce
the house to vote a new war loan
without opposition.

WAR SUMMARY.

(Associated Press)
The retirement of the Russian
forces in East Prussia and Great Brit-
ain's air raid on the coast of Belgium
in which thirty-four air craft partici-
pated, appear today to be the biggest
features in the military situation.

IMPOSING VICTORY.

The German victory in East Prus-
sia, according to Berlin, was impos-
ing, 26,000 prisoners being taken by
the Germans, who believe that the
danger of Russian invasion in that
region is ended.

FIGHT CONTINUES.

In the Carpathians the fighting con-
tinues. A Geneva dispatch says that
the Austrians have suffered heavily
from Russian bayonet attacks in Dul-
ka Pass.

AT IT IN ARGONNE.

Heavy fighting is once more in pro-
gress in Argonne and the Vosges.

TWO STEAMERS SINK.

German submarines are believed to
be responsible for the sinking of two
more British steamers, the Oriole and
a London trader. The Oriole was last
seen Jan. 30 in company with the Lon-
don trader. The steamer Ploand ar-
rived at Rouen with one survivor of
the trader and three other vessels
were rescued by an unknown vessel.
The Oriole carried a crew of 21.

AMERICAN AMMUNITION.

Berlin announced today that more
than a half mile of French position in
Argonne had been won on the western
front and the war office says that ar-
tillery ammunition was found "which
doubtless originated in American fac-
tories."

"Regrettable damage to the civil
population" was caused by British
aeroplane raid over Belgium yester-
day, it is said in Berlin, while only
slight losses were suffered by the
Germans.

Warren Lievan attended a party at
DeKalb last evening.

Mrs. Etta Shoemaker of Eldena
was here today.

G. M. Christner of Shawnee, Okla.
is here on a short visit with friends.

Recital Marks Completion Of Lutheran Pipe Organ

One of the notable musical events
of the season was the organ recital
given at St. Paul's Lutheran church
Friday evening by Prof. J. Clifford
Thompson of Chicago; for in addition
to being one of the most enjoyable
and musically perfect recitals given
here in many years, it marked the
accomplishment of remarkable altera-
tions and improvements in the organ
by John Byington, who is rapidly
growing in renown as one of the pipe
organ experts of the middle west.

Prof. Clifford's work at the organ
was exceedingly pleasing, while his
interpretation of the program was ex-
cellent. A happy feature of his recital
was his interest in having his audi-
ence thoroughly understand the ideas
embodied in the various selections he
rendered. A short explanation before
each number accomplished this while
his address prior to the recital, on the
inception and development of the pipe
organ, was highly educational.

It was very interesting to note the
progress made in the construction of
pipe organs from the time when it
took seventy men to furnish sufficient
wood to operate it, to the present time
when an electrical blower does the
work with ease. Two men were for-
merly required to press down the
keys, now it can be accomplished by
the light touch of a lady's finger.

Prof. Thompson complimented the
audience on the fine attention shown
him during the recital, which ensued
for an hour and forty minutes, and
also congratulated the Lutherans on
the fine-toned organ which they had
secured. The audience left highly
pleased with the evening's entertain-
ment.

Byington's Work.

Through the work of Mr. Byington
the organ has been brought to a state
of great efficiency. He took the organ

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Denies New Trial In Case Of Mrs. Beitel vs C. Beitel

In the circuit court this morning
arguments were heard for a new trial
in the case of Clara Beitel vs. C. T.
Beitel, a jury having awarded the
plaintiff damages in the sum of \$500
against her father-in-law. The court
overruled the motion and entered up
judgment for the amount. An appeal
was prayed for to the appellate court
and was allowed on the condition of
filing a bill of exceptions and bond
within sixty days. There being no
further work for the day court was
adjourned until Monday afternoon.

Apportions the Costs.

In the matter of the Estate of Ira
Coakley, deceased, Judge Farrand re-
ndering his decision this morning

Work of Docket.

The work as shown by the docket:
Henry Garnett vs. E. J. Bremer,
judgment in favor of plaintiff for
\$260 and costs.

Ora Stuart vs. Adolph Byers, judg-
ment rendered in favor of the plain-
tiff for \$462 and costs with immedi-
ate execution.

Dementtown Doings

Another sign of spring—a little German band performed in our midst yesterday and today.

There is some logic, at that, in the reply of the little fellow who, when asked if he knew what candy would do to his teeth, replied that he did not, but knew very well what his teeth did to candy.

The stingiest man has been found in Sterling. He never writes with pen and ink because he hates to waste so much ink on the blotter.

It's all very well to keep hoping for the best but we hate to see a man sit down at the job and call it a day's work.

How Very Sad.

The worried expression on the countenance of the groom at a recent wedding disturbed the best man and edging up to him he said: "What's the matter Jack. Have you lost the ring?" To which the "happy man" replied: "No, the ring's safe enough; but honestly, I've lost my enthusiasm."

Sing This Over a Couple of Times.

My auto, 'tis of thee, short cut to poverty—of thee I chant. I blew a pile of dough on you two years ago, and now you refuse to go, or won't or can't. Thru town and country-

side, you were my joy and pride, a happy day. I loved thy gaudy hue, thy nice white tires so new, but now you're down and out for true; in every way. To thee, old rattle box, came many bumps and knocks; for them I grieve. Badly thy top is torn, frayed are thy seats and worn; the whooping cough affects thy horn, I do believe. perfume swells the breeze while good folks choke and sneeze, as we pass by. I paid for thee a price 'twould buy a mansion twice, now everybody's yelling "ice" —I wonder why? Thy motor has the pip, even the skid chains slip and woe is thine. I, too, have suffered chills, ague and kindred ill, endeavoring to pay my bills, since thou wert mine. Gone is my bank roll now. No more 'twould choke a cow as once before. Yet, if I had the mon, so help me John—amen, I'd buy myself a car again, and speed some more!

The Whole Truth.

Magistrate—Why did you beat your wife so unmercifully?
Prisoner—Well, yer honor, she aggravated me by sayin' she'd have me up before that bald-headed old fool, meanin' you, yer honor.
Magistrate—Your discharged.

PLACES DIXON LAST IN BASKET BALL MEET AT ROCKFORD

FOREST CITY SPORTING WRITER PICKS HIS FAVORITES IN COMING TOURNEY.

THINKS FREEPORT IS WINNER

With West Aurora, Belvidere, East Aurora and Elgin Following In Order.

Already sporting writers are beginning to pick the winners of sectional basketball tournaments to be played two weeks from today.

The Rockford Register Gazette yesterday named the five teams that it expects to finish high. Dixon high is placed last, Freeport is first, West Aurora second, Belvidere third and East Aurora fourth.

Rockford's dope follows: A fortnight in advance of this series of games it looks as if Freeport, 1914 district champions, is due to repeat its triumphs of last year, when the Pretzels went through the local tournament and into the finals of the state meet only to fall before the Hillsboro quintet in the deciding contest.

Freeport is the only five in the district which has not met defeat, and the Pretzels have been up against some fast teams during the course of the season. Whether this five can be keyed up for the tournament series and whether there is not some dark horse among the other dozen teams which will compete here, remains to be seen.

Just at present it looks as if the five strongest teams in the district are as follows:

1. Freeport,
2. West Aurora,
3. Belvidere,
4. East Aurora,
5. Elgin.

Next in line are Rockford, Sterling, DeKalb and Dixon, teams which have been defeated but which are improving steadily and which will doubtless be formidable propositions to tackle by the time the tournament rolls around. To date the only thing to base the comparative strength of the various teams on is the won and lost column, but many of the teams which were weak early in the season have been coming fast of late, and with two weeks more of preparation they may be able to upset the dope completely.

West Aurora looks a bit better than East Aurora at present as the former has lost only one game, and that to a school outside the district, while East high has been defeated four times. Notwithstanding that fact, it would not be surprising if East high defeated West high when the two fives meet in the East high gymnasium next Saturday, as East has a formidable team and can be expected to slip over something.

Belvidere ranks ahead of East Aurora because of its defeat of the latter five at Belvidere two weeks ago. Elgin won from Belvidere at Elgin last Friday, but the margin was so close, practically a tie, that on a neutral floor it is almost certain that Belvidere would have the best of it.

There is probably little difference in the four teams which follow Freeport in the above standing, and any dope in advance is practically worthless, depending much upon the form which the team chances to show. In the East Aurora game Elgin was clearly off, while in its game against Rockford the maroon-and-white was at its best. In its battle with East Aurora, Belvidere was going at its fastest clip while on the Elgin floor the usually accurate Belvidere basket tossers were plainly off.

Rockford has shown steady improvement since the Elgin game, and there is not a team in the district but which reckons the red-and-black as a hard proposition at present. Even Freeport feels that it will have its hands full if the Pretzels are thrown in with the red and black, and local fans are inclined to take the same view.

Sterling has been handicapped by illness and injury to its players all winter, but that five is rounding to nicely and will be at top speed for the tournament games. The same is true of Mt. Carroll which did not have its best five on the floor until it met Rockford last Friday. All the "dope" points to the greatest basketball meet ever held in this section of the country.

GENERAL REVIEW.

At the meeting of the Boys' club at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow at 2:30 p. m., a general review of the subjects gone over will be discussed. Harry Major will have charge of the smaller boys while Secretary E. T. Bailey will look after the older boys.

THE HIGH JUMPER

By GEORGE ELMER COBB.

A vivid scream rang out upon the still afternoon air, just as Ross Evans turned from a side street into a blind thoroughfare which lost itself among the rock heaps of the canal. His was a quick eye, and within the space of a second its glance took in details of excitement and peril that thrilled him.

What he saw was a young girl dashing frantically down the middle of the road, a square distant. In advance of her, coming full bent at top speed, was an automobile, and clinging to its seat was a golden haired little child of about seven years. Her face was devoid of color, her lips parted in horror, her eyes distended. Young as she was, the little one seemed to fully realize her frightful peril. In a flash Ross fancied he comprehended the merits of the situation. The child had probably accidentally started up the machine while alone in its charge, was ignorant as to handling the mechanism and was powerless to stay its mad flight.

"Save her! save her!" shrieked the young lady in wild pursuit of the runaway machine. Even at the distance Ross was away from her the agonized accents rang out clearly.

Ross Evans, once high jump champion of a noted athletic organization, nerved himself mightily, at the inspiration of old time campus ardor and the call of humanity. Death and destruction hovered. The fated machine was headed for an end to its career less than thirty seconds ahead. There was one way only to hope to stay its course, a way full of danger and sacrifice. He took it.

Calculating to the closeness of a single watch tick, he braced for a run.



Coming at Top Speed Was an Automobile.

Magnificently, as though it were a test spring for a field prize, he rose to meet the coming monster of speed.

Ross just cleared the edge of the machine. He landed in the seat, one arm striking the brass casing of the wind shield and numbing it. Then, quick as light he shot the reverse button, with a shuddering glance at the yawning pit, now not twenty feet away, and the gasping words.

"Just in time!" It was truly so, yet with superb coolness of nerve he swung the machine back, fronting the advancing girl, spoke a reassuring word to the now huddled and sobbing child, sprang to the ground and awaited the approach of the young lady.

She came towards him pale, tottering, on the verge of swooning, an advancing vision of grace and beauty. His eyes feasted upon all her girlish daintiness of dress and innocence of face, the pitiful appeal of frightened eyes and quivering lips. Then, as she swayed in utter collapse, Ross glided swiftly to her side and caught her pliable form in his strong arms, just in time to save her from sinking to the ground.

She was helpless, held sheltering against his broad breast, the contact thrilling him, the world and all else it contained to him a worthless bauble, could he but sweep with his own those full tempting lips. Only for an instant, however, the eyes closed. She rose to still cling to him, but braced to battle her agitation, that she might breathe out her gratitude incoherently and hastening to the machine to seize the rescued one, her sister, Ross surmised, she pressed her to her bosom in outspoken gladness.

She had carried a little hand bag, and this had fallen open to the ground when she had swooned momentarily. As Ross picked it up to restore it to her, he noted her calling cards and the name upon them: "Nellie Moore." He restored the hand bag to her and lifted his hat. She swept his handsome face with a searching look, as though glad to believe that true nobleness of soul lay behind that courageous nature. Again and again she thanked him, was sure she was able to operate the machine, and made ready to drive away.

"No, no, come here!" cried out the peremptory little miss whose life had been saved, and she beckoned eagerly to Ross.

"What is it, little one?" he smiled. For reply the eyes of the child grew earnest and humid. She did not speak, but reaching out she placed a soft chubby hand on either cheek.

LICENSED TO WED

Michael Shaken, Harmon; Sada S. DeGaish, Sreater.

drew him toward her and kissed him on the lips. Then, still holding him, she added with an inquiring glance at her sister:

"And one for dear Nellie, too?" The fair maiden blushed deeply, but did not gainsay the edict. Again Ross Evans lifted his hat courteously. A bright episode in his life faded away as the machine disappeared, leaving him standing there, his heart warmed and thrilling. He watched the automobile till it turned the next corner, responded to a little hand waving towards him and uttered something of a sigh.

The glimpse of apparent wealth, luxury and social distinction contrasted vividly with his own present condition. A company whose mechanical engineer he had been for some years had failed. He was fairly stranded, and the prospects ahead dubious.

As Ross started to leave the spot he paused to pick up a small glittering object that attracted his gaze.

"A bent nickel," he soliloquized, glancing at it with only casual interest.

It had a slight mark where some heavy force had driven it out of shape. Two initials were scratched across its face—"A. B." Ross placed it in his pocket and for a moment thought no more of it.

Two days later, however, Ross Evans treasured the disfigured coin as though it were a precious talisman. He was not given to foolish superstition, but from the hour that he picked up that nickel the tide of fortune seemed to turn. He chanced to help a crippled old man over a crowded street crossing. It led to an acquaintanceship. The man was a contractor. He took a liking to Ross. His frank, intelligent ways attracted him. Ross was employed to take charge of some important construction work in a neighboring city. From then on he was sure of a lucrative established position. It pleased his fancy to believe that the meeting with the fair girl he had not forgotten, and his finding the coin were harbingers of continued prosperity. He cherished the fond memory of the first, and stowed the bent nickel securely inside his watch case.

It was about a month later when Ross, returned to Evered to report to his employer, chancing to pick up a local paper at the hotel read the following remarkable advertisement: "Lost, reward—\$1,000 will be paid to the finder of a bent nickel marked 'A. B.' one month since. Miss Nellie Moore, 905 Benson Terrace."

Speedily Ross was on his way to the fair advertiser, not thinking of any reward save a look at her bonny face. He was not embarrassed with threadbare attire this time. He was in appearance fully what he was—a gentleman.

She welcomed him with surprise, but as well with honest pleasure shining in her bright eyes. Then she explained. The nickel must have fallen out of her hand bag at the time of the accident. She had that day taken it from her uncle's safe to have a gold receptacle made for it, for it was a treasured memento in the family.

It had stopped the course of a bullet at a time when her uncle was a victim to drink. He had reformed, and treasured the coin as a memento of evil days now fully redeemed.

Of course Ross declined any reward. As he was about to depart, little Lois bounded into the room to greet him as if he were a familiar friend.

"Then you have not forgotten me?" smiled Ross.

"Oh, dear, no! nor sister either—I'll show you."

And taking up a sketch book she showed a drawing, a very fair presentment of himself.

Nellie blushed and tried to prevent the exhibition of it, but Ross had seen—and hoped.

And hope brought deeper love, and that was refined into a mutual affection that kept the cherished bent nickel in the family.

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The Congressional Library.

The vastness of the congressional library is shown by a recent report to congress in which it is shown that the library contains 2,125,255 books, 135,323 maps and charts, 630,799 volumes and pieces of music and 360,949 prints. The books added in the previous year amounted to 136,720 and an extension of the library is asked for with racks for 800,000 more books. The library has an average of 2,454 visitors and readers during each day of the year and yet the place seems never crowded at any one time. Since the location of the Union station on its present site many travelers with an hour to spare between trains avail themselves of the opportunity to visit this beautiful building, while it is the favorite haunt for those who are students of music, literature or art and love to pore over its priceless treasures. —Harper's Weekly.

Rural Waggonery.

"Ira Beasore drove into town just before the big rain the other day and he saw Orlo Tuttle setting tubs and barrels under all the spouts around his house," says Tully Marshall. "So Ira pulls up and hollers at Orlo: 'Hey, Orlo! What ye doin'?"

"Looks like rain, an' I'm settin' out these tubs so's the w'man can have some soft water fer her washin' Monday," answers Orlo, all innocent like, and not thinking about what a great coddler Ira is.

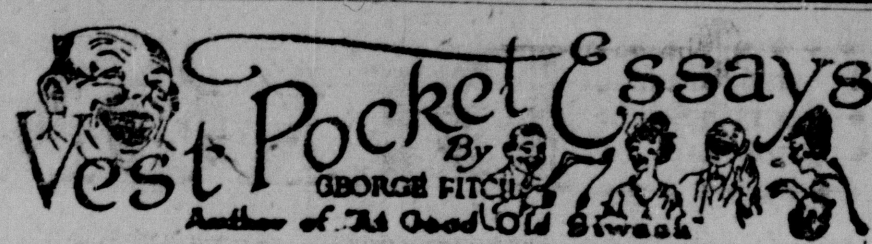
"Sho!" says Ira. "You won't git no soft water."

"Why won't I?"

"'Cause it's goin' to rain hard. Haw-haw-haw! Git ep!"—Young's Magazine.

TO MINNESOTA.

H. Schuck of Nelson township yesterday shipped his car of household goods to Blue Earth, Minn., where he will reside.



Vest Pocket Essays
By GEORGE FITCH
Author of "The Good Old Swash"

THE KING OF ITALY.

Sometimes a king is a fat loafer, who sits on a golden throne in \$189,345 worth of clothes, costs as much

as ten battleships to support, and yells "Off with his head," whenever he feels like it. And sometimes he is a very different sort of an institution.

The king business is not the snap which it once was, by any means. A hundred years ago a king could loiter around in a cloud of courtiers, and wives pro tem, drawing a shovel full of shekels out of the treasury every day, and slandering a tax on bread and milk whenever he wanted a new \$7,000,000 palace in which to spend the Fourth of July.

He might be as big a nuisance in his kingdom as an anæsthetic and a war combined. Yet, no one objected, and the only evidence of discontent would be a pious longing for the opportunity to bury him with magnificent honors, and take a new chance with another divinely appointed nuisance.

However, with the general rise of modern fads, such as the ballot, the unbreakable constitution and the treasury time lock, there has been a marked change in kings. For the last half century kings have been working harder to hold their jobs than section hands. No enlightened country would think of harboring a king nowadays who did not obey the constitution and by-laws of his country and show every anxiety to please his employers.

The king of Italy is a fine example of the modern or improved variety of

monarch. He is a young man of forty-five, Victor Emmanuel III, and was born in his business, his father having been King Humbert. When Victor Emmanuel was a boy he lived in a palace and was saluted with reverence by wise old men, but that was about all the fun he got out of it. In order to hold down his future job he had to take a university degree, serve in the army, acquire a large assortment of languages, learn how to run a battleship through the enemy in a scientific manner, become a connoisseur in art, and perfect himself in diplomacy, finance, statesmanship, city planning, botany, scientific agriculture, world geography, numismatics, hygiene, red cross work, philanthropy and the habits of volcanoes. He has been king since 1900 and is the hardest working man in Italy. Besides keeping half a dozen stenographers busy at his desk, he has to head a rescue brigade every time Vesuvius or Aetna spill over, direct the army during war, preside at all national gatherings and keep his son busy learning kingcraft in good football weather. His only diversions are coin collecting and hunting in Spitzbergen and other remote corners of the earth, and he doesn't get one-tenth as many vacations as a union plumber.

King Victor Emmanuel is very popular, and has made so good that he could probably be elected to his job by a large majority if he had to run for it. But is doubtful if he would make the race. It is far better to be a business man and to retire at the age of sixty with indigestion and a stable full of automobiles, than to be a king and to work wearily on in the late eighties waiting for death to come around and punch the time clock.

SALZMANS GAIN IN BOWLING RACE

TWO VICTORIES OVER POOLE'S TEAM TIGHTENS UP LEAGUE STANDINGS.

Captain Salzman's team rolled a good game at the Brunswick alleys on Friday night, taking two games from Poole's men and thereby made a gain in the per centage column and it is nip and tuck between the two teams as to who is to hold the stellar position the coming week. Hoyer made the highest individual score, rolling 210.

The tabulated score is as follows:

	Poole.		
Elliott	168	143	172
Hoyer	210	160	193
Bouers	143	175	137
Emmert	156	133	140
Poole	148	160	148
	825	771	730
	Salzman.		
Leach	117	156	184
Blackburn	122	166	153
Vaile	123	187	182
Duis	167	154	146
Salzman	169	174	157
	698	807	822

Women Vote Commission Rule. Lincoln, Ill., Feb. 12.—Women gave this city the commission form of government, overcoming a men's majority of 143 against the change and carrying their proposition by a majority of 127 votes. The vote stood 1,420 for the proposition and 1,293 against.

JUMPS FROM PULPIT TO BAR

Terre Haute, Ind., Pastor Who Resigned Is Now Lawyer.

Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 13.—The Rev. O. E. Mark, formerly pastor of Centenary M. E. church here, who resigned from the pastorate a short time ago when it became known that the board of the church was investigating charges against him, was admitted to the bar in Vigo county. Mark has filed suit for divorce against his wife, charging cruel and inhuman treatment and jealousy.

When Mark resigned from the pastorate here he also resigned from the ministry and went to Brazil, where it was understood he was studying law.

Bombs Hit German Aerodrome. Paris, Feb. 13.—Five French aviators dropped bombs on the German military aerodrome at Habsheim, an Alsatian town in the outskirts of Mulhausen.

Wilson Names Attorney. Washington, Feb. 12.—President Wilson nominated John F. A. Merrill of Portland, Me., to be United States attorney for Maine.



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DIXON AT CLINTON FOR GAME THIS EVE.

IOWA PLAYERS ANTICIPATE A HOT CONTEST WITH TEAM FROM THIS CITY.

The Dixon high school basketball team goes to Clinton, Iowa, this evening for a game with the fast Clinton high school aggregation and a number of students plan to accompany the players. Concerning this evening's game the Clinton Herald says: "The Dixon high school basketball five, the team that gave Clinton high a hard run at Dixon several weeks ago, will be seen in action on the local floor when it plays the Clinton high school basketball team at the Y. M. C. A. gym Saturday evening."

"The Dixon team is rated as one of the best that the locals have met so far this season and Capt. Kline and his cohorts are drilling hard, and have been the past week preparing for the coming game."

"Reports from the Dixon camp indicate that the boys in Illinois have not been letting any grass grow under their feet since their defeat by the boys of the Red and Black and it would be a rare treat to slip in a victory in their belts at the expense of Clinton. Arrangements are under way for a certain raiser to be played just previous to this game, it being between the seconds and some other team, yet to be decided."

MAIL CARRIER PAINFULLY HURT

Wayne Lambert, who carries the United States mail between the post-office and the depots, is unable to be on duty because of painful injuries which he received to his hand Thursday night. He crushed his fingers in a mail truck in such a manner as to severely lacerate them, the attention of a surgeon being necessary.

FOLLOWS BROTHER IN DEATH

(Associated Press.) Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 13.—Rev. Father Martin J. Dowling, one of the leading Jesuit educators in the United States, aged 64, is dead. He was a brother of the Rev. Father James Dowling of Chicago, who died last week.

Denies Knowing of Graft.

East St. Louis, Ill., Feb. 13.—Chas. S. Lambert, former mayor of East St. Louis, testified at his trial on charges connected with alleged municipal irregularities that he knew nothing of the double payment of bond coupons.

Project to Build High School Loses. Pana, Ill., Feb. 13.—At a special election held in Stoughton township the proposition to establish a high school was defeated by a majority of thirty-four votes. It was the third defeat.

Rich Land Owner Dies.

Pana, Ill., Feb. 13.—August Cazanet, aged 89, retired baker and grain dealer, died at his home in Assumption. He was the owner of 2,500 acres of land in Christian county, and his estate is valued at \$500,000.

Society Notes of Dixon and Vicinity

CALENDAR EVENTS FOR COMING WEEK

Saturday.

G. A. R. Bazaar—Rosbrook hall.

Mystic Workers.

The regular meeting of the Mystic Workers will be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 16, at 7:30, in Miller's hall. Regular business will be transacted, and candidates will be initiated. On Feb. 2 a full degree team was organized and Drillmaster Beckingham states that they will be ready to put on the work Tuesday evening.

After the meeting a social hour will be enjoyed and refreshments will be served. All Mystics should witness the first efforts of the new degree team. The usual good time is promised.

Dinner Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Barton of the Peoria road entertained Thursday: Mrs. L. D. Agnew of Agnew, Ill.; Mrs. Leslie Squires, Miss Mollie Portenius, Mrs. Jacob Heid and Mrs. Frank Waezinski of this city and Miss Tina Ortgiesen of Nelson and Miss Katherine Waytenick of LaSalle.

Entertained.

Mrs. H. A. Ahrens and Mrs. Kirby J. Reed entertained the Sunoia club Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. A. C. Warner, who leaves soon for California, where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Missionary Society.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of St. Paul's Lutheran church met at the home of Mrs. Alice Miller, 215 Hennepin avenue on Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Altman as hostesses. A splendid attendance was present although the weather was most unfavorable. The Bible lesson on "The Value of a Child" was read by Miss Gonnemann. The lesson study on "The Child at Home, Play and Work," was read by Mrs. Ruef with Mrs. Clymer, Mrs. Byers and Mrs. Hedley as assistants. The lesson was very interesting and ably conducted. After a short business session Miss Marjorie Slothower favored the society with a beautiful vocal solo and Miss Helen Zuhl played a very pretty instrumental selection. Both were greatly enjoyed by the society.

Delicious refreshments of ice cream cakes and coffee were served and a short social hour enjoyed, after which the meeting adjourned to meet in March with Mrs. Geo. Beal.

O. E. S. Parlor Club.

The regular meeting of the O. E. S. Parlor club will be held Monday afternoon, Feb. 15, in the Masonic hall. A good attendance is desired.

LUNCHEONS.

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Invincible Charity Ball.

The annual charity ball given by the Invincibles at the Armory Friday evening was the most successful event of its kind in the history of the club, both from a financial and social standpoint, and as a result the young ladies are supremely happy today, in the knowledge that their charitable work throughout the year has been appreciated and that the returns from Friday evening's affair will enable them to do further good during the coming months.

The decorations were appropriate to the Valentine season and brought forth many comments of admiration from the guests, while Mr. Hatten, who had charge of the work was the recipient of many compliments. Red was the predominating color, a three arched ceiling extending the length of the room, streamers of paper and hearts being used in profusion.

A ring of hearts in the center of the hall was a feature while the club name, worked in red hearts adorned the orchestra stand where the Marquette orchestra, after a short concert, kept the dancers in high spirits until 1 o'clock. The many hearty encores attested the extent to which the musicians pleased their auditors. Cozy corners were charmingly and invitingly arranged and refreshments completed the enjoyment of all.

The patronesses were Mesdames J. M. Batchelder, L. D. Dement, C. B. Morrison and W. J. McAlpine. The out of town guests were: Mary Forest, Flint, Mich.; Miss Christy, Chicago; the Misses Gibbons, Chicago; Dr. Clopper, Polo; Dr. Terry, Chicago; Norman Sterling, Rockford; Mr. Alaban, Rockford; Frank Philpott, Minneapolis; Tom Graff, New York; Mrs. Luckner, Oak Park; Mr. Prentiss, Chicago.

Valentine Party.

Misses Josephine Lievan and Marcela Breemer delightfully entertained eight girl friends at the home of the former last evening with a Valentine party. The evening was spent in games and music. Later a delicious three course luncheon was served by the hostess. The dining room was prettily decorated in red and white, in keeping with the season.

Special Missionary Service

The special missionary gift service of the Baptist church was held at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Lewis on Boyd street. Miss Margaret Smith assisted. Following the special business session an interesting program was given, consisting of a beautiful piano selection by Miss Laola Quick, a reading by Mrs. C. B. Morrison, a vocal solo beautifully rendered by Mrs. Lee Read, all of whom responded to an encore. Mrs. Chas. Burkett gave a splendid missionary reading and the program was closed by a beautifully rendered piano trio by Mrs. Harry Chiverton, Ruth Chiverton and Miss Mildred Page. A social hour was then enjoyed, during which dainty refreshments were served.

Home On Visit.

Miss Henrietta Florscheutz is home from her studies with Madam Hunt, millinery designer at the Masonic Temple in Chicago, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Florscheutz, 301 Fellows street.

At Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lievan of Peoria avenue entertained at dinner yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Feldkirchner and daughter of South Dixon and Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Sweitzer of Hennepin avenue.

Six O'Clock Dinner.

Mrs. Will Smith pleasantly entertained with 6 o'clock dinner Thursday in honor of her mother, Mrs. M. L. Lyon, who is visiting here from Atkinson, Ill. Mrs. Lyon returned home today.

Luncheon.

Mesdames Wilcox, Whiffen, Kennedy, Bishop and Miss Wilcox were hostesses to a one o'clock luncheon today at the Randolph House in Sterling. Among the guests from this city were Mrs. Will Smith, Mrs. Kenneth and Miss Hazel Kennedy.

FOR A BAD COLD

The surest way to stop a cold is to liven the liver and cleanse the bowels, and the nicest cathartic to do this is a 10-cent box of Cascarets. Take one or two Cascarets tonight and your cold may be gone by morning.

Dancing Club Being Formed.

A dancing club is being formed of ladies ranging from the ages of 40 up. The purpose of the club is to give the older people a chance to learn to dance, which at the present age is a desired pleasure. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday of next week and anyone desiring to join may find out any particulars by calling on Madame Kent. The club is to be composed of ladies of good standard and refinement.

Attend Wedding.

Mrs. William Lister left today for Davenport, Iowa, where she will attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Rachael McGee to Mr. J. A. Mapes. The wedding will be solemnized on Monday.

Leave for Future Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schuck and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schuck will leave for Blue Earth, Minn., tomorrow, where they will make their future home.

Flag Corner Embroidery Club.

The Flag Corner Embroidery club held a very interesting meeting on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Cal Garland, with Mrs. Garland and Miss Grace Jones as hostesses. The evening was spent in doing fancy work and the hostess served dainty refreshments.

Monday.

G. A. R. Ladies—G. A. R. hall.
O. E. S. Parlor club—Masonic hall.

Neighbourly Class Banquet—M. E. church.

St. Agnes Guild Entertainment—Family theater.

Tuesday.

"Just Before Lent Dance," the Shoe Factory girls—Rosbrook's hall.

Neighbourly Class Banquet.

The annual class banquet held by the Neighbourly class of the Methodist Sunday school will take place Monday evening. Supper will be served at 7:30 o'clock in the Methodist church dining parlors.

Entertained V. V. V. Club.

Miss Louise and Katherine Seltus entertained the members of the V. V. V. club at their home, Thursday evening. A very delightful evening was spent in doing fancy work and the hostesses served dainty refreshments.

Rochelle Couple Wed.

Mr. Orle T. Tilio and Miss Katie Strang both of Rochelle were quietly married Thursday afternoon at two o'clock in the Court House by Judge Crabtree.

Valentine Day Celebrated.

The pupils of the second grade of the Dixon High school building spent a very pleasant afternoon Friday observing St. Valentine's day by a Valentine box. The pupils placed their Valentines in a box and these were distributed among the pupils, the teacher, Miss Florence Mulkins, as well as each of the pupils receiving many beautiful Valentines. One of the pupils, Miss Cornelia Alice Miller surprised the pupils when she entered the room with a basket filled with neatly wrapped packages sealed with tiny hearts, which she passed among the pupils. In each package were three heart shaped cookies on which were English walnut meats. The cookies had been prepared by Miss Miller's mother and were greatly enjoyed by the pupils.

E. B. Demerits spent Thursday evening in Sterling calling on friends.

G. A. R. Card Party.

The card party given yesterday afternoon by the ladies of the G. A. R. circle at Rosbrook's hall was largely attended. Progressive euchre was enjoyed during the afternoon, there being sixteen tables. Mrs. Goodwin won the ladies' head prize. Mrs. Maries Helter, second prize and as Ira Compton and Mr. Bremer had the same number of punches on their cards they divided the gentleman's prize.

After the games dainty refreshments were served by the ladies.

G. A. R. Regular Meeting.

The regular meeting of the ladies of the G. A. R. circle No. 73 will be in G. A. R. hall Monday at 2:30 o'clock. A large attendance is desired.

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One afternoon Signor Lablanche, the celebrated basso, a man of enormous proportions, on leaving Covent Garden theater, London, after rehearsal found that his carriage had not arrived, so he went to a four-wheeler. In to this, after a strenuous effort, he managed to squeeze his massive body, to find himself seated on the edge of the smaller seat, a truly uncomfortable position which it was imperative at once to change. As he struggled to his feet in his attempt to do so, the bottom of the vehicle gave way, and the artist found himself standing on the road. Help, however, was at hand, and he was released with no small difficulty from his ridiculous dilemma.

A similar adventure befell the brothers Pope—one a doctor, the other the well known Q. C.—who between them weighed over forty stone, when crossing Waterloo bridge in a four-wheeled cab. How it happened is uncertain, but about the center of the bridge the floor of the cab collapsed, and for the next 30 yards two pairs of sturdy legs, straining to keep pace with the horse's mild amble, was a spectacle for unstrained public mirth. Cabbies soon pulled up, and eager hands quickly extricated the obese and exhausted brothers.—London Tit-Bits.

THE LEGION OF HONOR.

Founded in 1802 by the First Napoleon as a Means of Rewarding Merit.

The first decorations of the Legion of Honor, the famous French order of merit, were conferred in 1802 upon military and civil officers who had distinguished themselves under the consulate. The order was founded May 19, 1802, by Napoleon, when he was first consul. It consists of several grades, as grand crosses, grand officers, commanding officers and legionaries, and was a reward for services of merit. The order was conferred by Louis XVIII, when the Bourbons were returned to the throne a century ago, and it has been continued, with necessary changes in the constitution, through the reigns of Charles X, Louis Philippe, Napoleon III, and the second and third republics. Many Americans and British subjects and other foreigners have received the decorations of the Legion of Honor.

FEAR OF LIGHTNING.

It Is Natural to Man Yet Is Largely Baseless.

It is hopeless to try to quiet human fears of the thunderstorms by statistics showing that lightning kills fewer persons than measles or motorcars. Lichtenberg, the eighteenth century physicist, who was a satirist as well as a specialist on electricity, wrote in vain his article on "Fear of Lightning." At that moment there was dysentery in Gottingen, and six persons were said to have died—"more than twice as many in a few days as lightning has killed in our town in more than half a century, and yet the public seem remarkably easy on the subject." How different it would be, Lichtenberg reflected, "if the dysentery rose above the horizon in the form of a big black cloud, changing day into twilight, and whenever it selected a victim exploded with a violent thundercap."

POLISH FREEDOM.

Last Remnant Went Under Austrian Control in 1846.

It is seldom remembered that one fragment of independent Poland survived long after the partitions of the eighteenth century. In 1815 the powers agreed that the town of Cracow, with its territory, should be forever a free, independent and strictly neutral city, under the protection of Russia, Austria and Prussia. But in the forties came the Polish insurrections, and Austrian troops occupied Cracow. Metternich accepted the czar's suggestion that Austria should stick to it, being influenced by the fear that Russia or Prussia would have it if Austria did not. So, in 1846, perished the last remnant of "free" Poland, just ten years after Peel has expressed to Gladstone his belief that they would live to see Polish independence restored.

Poker Kills a Whale.

The crew of the oil steamer California were happy on reaching port because they had captured a whale and found ambergris worth \$1,000.

A school of playful whales followed the vessel up the coast, and having nothing else to do the crew tried to capture one bull in the wake of the ship. There was no harpoon aboard, so they fashioned one out of a stoker's poker that resembled a crowbar. After many attempts they landed a whale by harpooning from the stern. When the carcass was hauled aboard the sight of ambergris almost caused a fight as to division of the spoils.

A Courting Parlor.

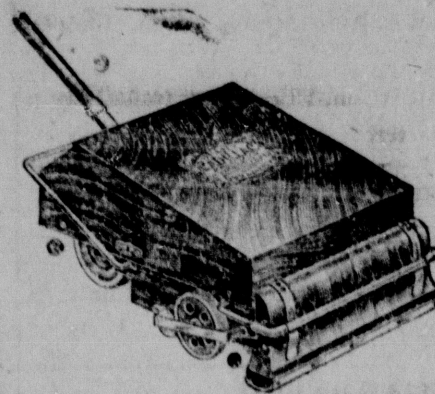
For the benefit of young men and women living in boarding houses, a courting parlor for engaged couples has been especially constructed as an annex to the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, at Cincinnati.

Wisdom is the talent of buying virtuous pleasures at the cheapest rate.—Fielding.

The squirrel travels a good deal by rail, though he is never compelled to show his ticket.

Mrs. C. B. Swartz and daughter, Gladys who have been visiting friends in Ohio, are home.

Arthur Tigen of Rochelle will be here Sunday.



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It is a kind of madness. It is like intoxication. It is a dream, a wonder, a miracle. Common to all people, it is yet the most uncommon, amazing, shattering thing known. It is the love of one man and one woman. It is the mating instinct of Nature as translated into spirit qualities by the deep human heart, and the majestic human brain.

The first effect is to shut out all the rest of mankind. The two are walled up in a world of their own. They want no one else. Their thoughts cannot escape intense concentration upon one another. They are monomaniacs.

To the man in true love with one woman all other women have something repellent toward him.

Monogamy is not merely a custom, nor an artificial or economic arrangement, nor a state prescribed by authority of religion; it is psychological; it is a natural law of souls; it will continue forever because when true love comes to normal people it is always exclusive.

We may love many times, but the great true love comes but once.

ART CRITICISMS.

Orchardson's and Murray's Work as Viewed From Different Standpoints.

When Orchardson's picture, "Hard Hit," was exhibited at the academy the artist was strolling through the rooms one day when he saw, to his alarm, an excited little foreigner making toward him with threatening aspect and brandishing a stick as he came. "Ah, sir," he exclaimed, "if I thought that by killing you I could paint a picture like that I would crush your skull this minute."

David Murray, a Royal Academician, was once painting in Picardy when his stock of canvas became exhausted. Being desirous of securing an "impression" for use later in a more ambitious attempt, the artist did one bit on a handkerchief tacked on a stretcher. Upon his return to London this piece of work was being inspected, with others, by a wealthy old lady, who desired to purchase it. Murray thought it advisable to tell her that it had been painted on his pocket handkerchief. "On your pocket handkerchief?" exclaimed the old lady. "Then I'm quite sure you've ruined it, Mr. Murray. The paint will never come off."

Anyway, when a man accuses his wife of having married him for his money, he pays tribute to her good sense.

It has been said that a wise man never makes the same mistake twice. Yet the wisest may marry the second time.

Ladies of G. A. R. Circle.

The ladies of the G. A. R. circle who have had a very successful week with their bazaar at Rosbrook's hall, will close this evening. The Knights of Columbus will have charge of the dance for this evening and the ladies are anticipating a most pleasing crowd tonight.

THE CONVERSATIONAL BORE.

Persons Who Prefer Their Own Talk to Listening to Others.

"The most irritating type of conversational bore is he or she who cannot remain silent for more than a few seconds," said a prominent hostess whose opinion was asked on the matter. "I mean particularly the person who keeps interrupting one with encouraging remarks, such as 'I see,' 'How charming,' 'Yes, yes,' 'Quite so,' and a host of other idiotic interruptions."

"These persons give me the impression that one's conversation is rather dull and they are doing their best to cheer you up and make you bright. Of course, the natural effect of these senseless interruptions is immediately to dry up your flow of words, and you begin to stammer and trail off in miserable fashion."

"There are some persons—they are chiefly women, I am afraid—whom no power on earth can stop once they begin to talk. They go on in a ruthless fashion, even when other persons are in the middle of a story or some important discussion, until the other voices are forced to die away."

"They never have anything really interesting to say, but they love to hear themselves talk, and are incapable of following the conversation of anybody else."

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RABBITS OF NIMITYBELLE

"The rabbit has made great headway in the Austrian district around Nimitybelle, and trapping has become a profitable industry," so a Sydney newspaper reports. One buyer alone, it seems, sent over a ton of skins each week all through last season. It has been decided to start freezing at the place—that means carrying the surplus rabbit crop over in cold storage. The exportation of rabbit skins from Australia now exceeds in value over \$3,000,000, according to the Sydney report.

Now this is astonishing information. The Antipodes are to be congratulated. For years we have been hearing about their pest of rabbits. Australians have long viewed with gloom the overrunning of their continent. What mosquitoes are to New Jersey, or prairie dogs are to Kansas, or the gypsy moth to New England, rabbits are to Australia—that has been the impression.

It was sixty years ago, or so, that an incautious gentleman of New South Wales obtained from Europe, and turned loose in the colony, three pairs of rabbits. As the population and wealth of Australia increased the rabbits increased, and more than correspondingly. Until recently it has been a tremendous problem how to check them—to say nothing of extermination. They drove farmers from their land, and have threatened such devastation as has not been known since the succession of plagues paralyzed Egypt. Travelers report that rabbit-proof fences are characteristic of the Australian landscape. Some years ago an attempt was made to spread a parasite epidemic among them. But the pensive rabbit multiplied faster than the germs.

The Australians have found a way at last. They have solved the exasperating riddle by turning the rabbits to profit. A demand for rabbit has been created in the world's markets, it appears, especially for the skins. What was a nuisance, and a destructive one, is found to be marketable.

This merely is another illustration of course, of an industrial miracle with which we are familiar—the utilization of what has been thought useless, the working up of a by-product into something of commercial value.

The rabbit resources of Australia are probably inexhaustible. It will be some time, at any rate, before the country will need to take measures to conserve the supply, even with the liveliest demand. Meanwhile the happy situation is that the Australians are able to sell what they have plenty of, and do not want to keep—what, indeed, they would hitherto have been glad to pay to get rid of. Such luck is enough to make that celebrated Australian bird, the laughing-jackass, split its sides with laughter, and the kangaroo leap for joy.

"DISTRESSED" IS A TAME WORD.

A headline says "Kaiser Is Distressed at Losses." Surely, he is distressed and so is King George and the Czar probably pulls a long face every time the enemy mows down another regiment, but "distressed" is hardly the word to describe the condition of the grief-stricken wife and her starving brood when word is brought home that her soldier husband died in battle. The glory of the nation may be saved, though they can't all win, princes and kings enriched and kingdoms enlarged and made more powerful—but what of the war little woman whose man was taken from her and shot to pieces for the sake of patriotism? What of the fatherless children and the wrecked homes? Who can ever make up for the hell that the women and children of Europe have been plunged into? How much patriotic glory, military achievement and bloody victory does it take to pay the wretched beings who are fed to the war god? What do they get out of it? Who can replace the happiness in the humble cottages? What is the price of a happy home, a man's and a woman's contentment with their family of youngsters and their work and their work of love.

Surely, the leaders in the great war are "distressed," but the word is a hideous joke compared to the destruction they have wrought among their people.

WHEN THE BAND PLAYS.

We hear so much these days about efficiency in labor. Simple methods are often resorted to so that employees will do better work and do it faster.

"The band plays while coaling ship" is the first paragraph in the regulations to bands of the United States navy.

There is no job the jackie hates worse than coaling ship. It is dirty, hot, tiresome, mean work.

So while the necessary feed for the big boilers is being carted to the bunkers the ship's band is seated at a convenient place playing lively music. Careful experiment has shown that 30 per cent more coal is loaded and the men are in better spirits when the band plays.

Great industrial concerns have recognized the good of bands. The Elgin Watch factory band was widely known in its heyday. At Canton the Parlin & Orendorff (implement manufacturers) band carried the name of the firm far and wide.

Manufacturers' News, published in Chicago, is so enthused over this feature that it has employed a bandmaster, formerly ensign and bandmaster in the Illinois naval reserve, to conduct a department in that periodical.

A warden of the Iowa state penitentiary at Fort Madison transformed that institution from a walled city of discontented men to a wide open place of cheerful workers by playing his cornet and starting a band.

THE WET AND DRY DISCUSSION.

In another column in this paper, under the head of People's Column, appears an article in favor of a "wet" Dixon, which was brought to this office this morning with the request that it be published.

From time to time we suppose articles will be submitted to us for publication from both sides of the argument. All we require is that they be clean reading and, so far as we can tell, correct and fair in their statements, and that they are brought to us by the organized committee in charge of the campaign on either side.

The Telegraph sees no harm in the frank discussion of the facts of the situation and hopes that both committees will see fit to make such statements as will bring out for public consideration all phases that should be considered by the voters before they decide the question on election day.



PASSING THE HAT.

Passing the hat, passing the hat! Some one forever gets busy at that! Oh, it seems useless to struggle and strain, all our endeavor is hopeless and vain, when we have gathered a small, slender roll, hoping to lay in some cordwood or coal, hoping to purchase some flour and some spuds, hoping to pay for the ready made fide, hoping to purchase a bone for the cat, some one comes cheerfully passing the hat! Passing the hat that the bums may be warm, passing the hat for some noble reform, passing the hat for the fellows who fail, passing the hat to remodel the jail, passing the bonnet for this or for that, some one forever is passing the hat! Dig up your bundle and hand out your roll—if you don't give you are lacking a soul! What if the feet of your children are bare? What if your wife has no corset to wear? What if your granny is weeping for shoes? What if the grocer's demanding his dues? Some one will laugh at such logic as that, some one who's merrily passing the hat! Passing the hat for the pink lemonade, passing the hat for a moral crusade, passing the hat to extinguish the rat—some one forever is passing the hat!

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City In Brief

—Be wise in time and use Hyomei for catarrh and head colds. Neglected catarrh too frequently degenerates the hearing, smell and taste. Get a Hyomei outfit from Rowland Bros. It's the quick, simple and effective remedy.

Herbert Harms, manager of the Wilbur Lumber Co. yards in this city returned from a few days spent in Chicago attending the State Lumbermen's convention.

—Farm Loans, 5 1/2 per cent. Downing & Fruin. 37 6

Mayor W. B. Brinton went to the metropolis on the early morning train.

Mrs. Minnie Winter is expected home the first of next week from a trip to California.

—Farm Loans, 5 1/2 per cent. Downing & Fruin. 37 6

Ray Gaffney went to Chicago on the early morning train.

Mrs. C. H. Ives was an early morning passenger to Chicago.

Miss Eloise Thompson went to Sterling this afternoon to spend the afternoon and Sunday with Miss Alda Holdridge.

—Farm Loans, 5 1/2 per cent. Downing & Fruin. 37 6

Mrs. David T. Marks and son Harold, and her sister, Miss Helen Decker of Chicago are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phil N. Marks.

Wilbur Cushman of Sterling was a visitor in Dixon Friday evening.

Fred Wagner and wife of Bradford township spent yesterday in this city at the home of the gentleman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wagner on Second street.

Frank Gorham spent Thursday evening in Sterling with friends.

Mrs. Albert O'Malley of Sterling was in this city Friday.

E. Byers visited in Sterling yesterday.

Frank Farnum was a Sterling visitor on Thursday evening.

Henry Briscoe will go to Chicago this evening for a few days' visit.

Cecil Mott and Carl Melotte of Sterling were Dixon visitors yesterday.

Miss Helen Prestin of Sterling was in this city calling on friends Thursday evening.

Edward Slough of St. James was a Dixon caller Thursday.

Andrew and Samuel Hoff of Nachusa were in Dixon Thursday.

Miss Corine Eichler and Mr. and Mrs. Max Eichler have returned from a few days spent in Chicago at the style show.

Dan Timothy of Franklin Grove was a Dixon caller Thursday.

Circuit Clerk E. S. Rosecrans was unable to be at his office today on account of illness.

Jos. Clark returned last evening from Sterling.

Miss Mary O'Malley returned from Sterling yesterday after visiting with friends in that city for a few days.

JUDGE ENDS TRIAL OF KLEIST-BREITUNG SUIT

Max's Story to Newspapers Is Cause of Sudden Turn.

New York, Feb. 13.—The \$250,000 alteration suit of Max Kleist against Mr. and Mrs. Edward N. Breitung, the wealthy parents of his wife Juliet Breitung-Kleist, came to a sudden end in the federal district court. Judge Learned Hand declared the case a mistrial. He gave as his reason for this action a statement which Kleist made to the newspaper reporters. In this statement Kleist told of having been threatened and also being beaten while employed in a garage in New York. He told, too, of attempts made against him while working in New Mexico. The judge said that the natural inference from this statement affected the defendants. He accordingly discharged the jury and set the case at the foot of the calendar for trial.

Kleist's statement to the reporters was made just prior to the opening of the court Thursday. He said that his life had been threatened many times. He went on to explain that while working in a garage at Eighteenth street and Seventh avenue last September he received a telephone warning to get out of town. Failing to pay any attention to this, he said, two men came to the garage and attacked him. He beat them off, he said, but later five men came in. He fought with them, but one knocked him unconscious by a blow on the head with a piece of lead pipe.

While in New Mexico working in Mr. Breitung's mine, he added, he carried a revolver for protection. One night while in a saloon several men seized him and, throwing him over the bar, tried to force some liquid down his throat. He said they fled when he drew his revolver.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

WETS POINT OUT POSSIBILITY.

(By "Wet" Committee.)

The town of Dixon, in April, 1914, voted "wet."

This town embraces a territory approximately 6 miles square and includes the City of Dixon.

It is now proposed to call an election in the City of Dixon on the "wet" and "dry" question.

If the City of Dixon votes "dry" the town outside of the city will still remain "wet" and will continue such until the decision of April, 1914, shall be reversed by a vote of the entire town.

If the City of Dixon votes "dry" and the township continues to be "wet" (as it is bound to be until at least April, 1916) then any man who owns or can rent a lot in the town and outside the city limits, can, by getting a government license as a wholesale liquor dealer, sell liquor in quantities of not less than 5 gallons and in the original package, to whoever may apply for the same.

In other words, if an election on the question shall be held at the coming city election and the city should vote "dry," liquor and beer can be sold in 5 gallon lots at any location in the township outside of the city, as for example, along the Grand Detour road at any point east of the ice house; in the neighborhood of the cement mill; along the Palmyra road at any point west of the I. C. C. tracks; along the Rock Island road west of the city limits; on the Chicago or Franklin roads east of the city limits.

All that such a dealer would require would be a location, enough money to pay for a government license and sufficient money or credit to get a stock of goods.

THE NERVE OF A LAWYER.

It Forced Change in a Supreme Court Custom.

It was from the practice of the supreme court to sit from 12 noon until 4 o'clock continuously on each day that it was in session. From time to time, as the afternoon progressed, the justices, one or two at a time, would slip out of their seats, snatch a bite of luncheon and return. Sometimes as many as four or five of them would be off the bench at once. They usually had their lunches brought to them by their messengers and ate it in the little curtained recess behind the bench, and as the argument progressed there could be plainly heard in the courtroom the clink of knives and forks on plates and what O. Henry has called "the crash of dishes on the American plan."

One day a lawyer pleading a case made bold to enter a protest. He most solemnly inquired if he could count upon the continuous and undivided attention of even one justice to the thread of his argument. "The personnel of the court has been twice entirely changed since I began," he said plaintively.

The court deigned no response, but on the following Monday it was announced from the bench that a recess for luncheon thereafter would be taken every day from 2 to 2:30 o'clock and that the court would sit until 4:30 o'clock every afternoon.

MEXICAN ESTATES.

Are Handed Down From Father to Son—Land Is Cheap.

The great estates in Mexico are handed down from father to son. It takes an exceedingly large body of land to support the owners in moderate luxury. Even where willing to sell, the hacendados want to sell the whole tract, and will not cut it up or sell part. The price, when a sale does take place, is from 25 cents to \$5.00 per acre. It is more folly than greed that makes the hacendados try to perpetuate existing social conditions. There could be no better fortune for them than a good, constitutional government, under which they could subdivide and sell their lands at prices such as prevail in other countries. The secret of the low value is not far to seek; there is no market for anything except shipping to foreign countries. The great mass of the people can buy only a few cotton rags and a bushel or so of raw corn per month per family. The wages they get are from 12 to 50 cents per day in our money, the higher price being paid right along the border, where a short journey would take the workman into the United States.

AUTOS IN LONDON.

Accidents Are Few Because Drivers Are Skillful.

"Skilled motor-car driving is one of the sights of London," says Henry Paulman, of Chicago, to the correspondent of the Daily News. "Collisions here are few, while in Chicago they are many. This is because of the stringent requirements for drivers' licenses in London, and the absence of such requirements in Chicago. The State oral examination in Illinois is farcical. Every driver should be required to show by his acts ability to control a car in a crowded street."

"They have a great device in London in the shape of a street-flushing machine with a revolving squeegee in the rear. The squeegee causes the pavement to dry immediately, thus preventing skidding. There are 3,500 motor buses and 8,000 taxicabs on the streets of London, not to mention many varieties of other vehicles mechanically driven, yet accident are infrequent in view of the vastness of the metropolis. The motor buses at the Derby formed one of the finest features of the spectacle."

The Sailor's Money.

Aristing out of the loss of the Titanic, several applications under the workmen's compensation act were heard at Southampton (England) county court. It was stated that in three cases the widows of members of the Titanic's crew had married again.

In one case Judge Gye said: "She can have the money, but I shall communicate with the treasury. It seems to me unfair that the children should be deprived of all the compensation when the widow uses it for the purpose of getting married again. Compensation was paid for the express reason that she was dependent on her husband. She is not now."

Cause For Suspicion.

A mother who frequently went out to spend the day with her friends had been accompanied always by her seven-year-old son. One evening on returning home very much bored with the day's experience, he said to her: "Mother, if you don't stop taking me around with you so much people will think you have married a dwarf."—Harper's Magazine.

The wisdom of John Galsworthy: Like flies caught among the impalpable and smoky threads of cobwebs, so men struggle in the webs of their own natures, giving here a start, there a pitiful small jerking, long sustained and falling into stillness.

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

If you would have a faithful servant, and one that you like, serve yourself.

Warren Lievan of this city went to Elgin last evening where he attended a dancing party given there.

HOW ADVERTISING WORKS

Among the great inventions of the nineteenth century was the power press with its enormous capacity. Public schools had become general, literacy was on the wane and conditions were ripe for the dissemination of information. It was then that the power of the press was added to the efforts of the salesman, and the manufacturer began to tell his story to the millions in less time than the "drummer" could talk to a dozen. Modern advertising, therefore, is the direct result of increased production; it was concurrent with the development of the arts and crafts and an essential part of progress and development.

Nobody denies that there is an occasional abuse of advertising. Publicity is a power, and it may be wielded for good or evil. Quick medicines have been exploited, but no more so than fake reformers. In legitimate fields, however, the secret of low price is rapid production, and to maintain a low price there must be a market for the product. Not a spasmodic market, but a steady demand that will keep pace with production. There is but one way to retain such a market, once it is obtained, and that is to make a product that will be so good that those who buy it once will buy it again and again.

The greatest expense in business today is the matter of distribution. It is easy enough to produce, but marketing is a vastly different matter. The man who makes something in Bridgeport finds that he cannot sell all he can produce in that town, so he has to seek a market outside of his immediate environment. Through the means of publicity he can tell all the people about his goods, from Boston to San Francisco, and he can do it overnight. Advertising facilitates distribution and anything that makes the marketing of goods easier and quicker is not an economic waste but an economic necessity.

Whether it be sugar or shoes, the successful advertiser makes what he considers a first-class article, gives it a trade name and in the columns of the daily, weekly or monthly, or all three, he strives to give a logical reason why his particular product is entitled to public patronage and confidence. He tells the truth according to his belief, because commercial candor is recognized as a fixed law that underlies the enduring success of every modern business that is founded upon advertising, and every good business man knows that to evade the truth means eventual failure.—Leslie's.

THINGS WE'VE NOTICED

The most wonderful thing—An individual opinion.

The easiest thing—Blaming it on the other fellow.

The hardest thing—Proving it.

The softest thing—The other fellow's job.

The wisest thing—To mind your own business.

The most foolish thing—What we said when we tried to appear bright.

The sweetest thing—We married her.

The wettest thing—A woman's hat with three drops of rain on it.

The driest thing—Our rival's speech.

The kindest thing—Not to mention it.

The most awkward thing—The knife at a dinner.

The handiest thing—An alibi.—A. Walter Utting, from Judge.

What Makes a Girl Popular

Every girl has the perfectly natural desire to be popular with the other sex, and every girl is interested in knowing the secret of such popularity. Some girls have the idea that the way to have a good time is to break away from the recognized rules of social life. The free-and-easy, reckless type of girl may receive a good deal of attention of a certain kind, but it is safe to say that men do not really care for such a girl. Certainly they do not have any respect for her. They may enjoy a summer flirtation with her, but such a girl never enters seriously into their thoughts. The girl who is kind and thoughtful to her parents is the girl whom they admire. The girl who is disrespectful to her parents will not long retain the respect of others. Men know very well that a girl who deceives her mother cannot be trusted. A good daughter has in her the making of a good wife, and a man remembers this when he begins to think seriously of matrimony.—Frances Frear, in Leslie's.



Luxurious Convenience

Dressing the hair by electricity—with an Electric Curling Iron—is a luxurious convenience now within the reach of every woman.

An Electric Curling Iron

may be used at home or when traveling—wherever there is electric light. Heats quickly but never overheats—no soot, no smoke. The Electric Curling Iron illustrated, priced at \$3.00, f. o. b. Chicago, is only one of many different styles of Electric Curling Iron Heaters in stock here.

Interesting Illustrated Literature

On Electric Curling Irons and the advantages of dressing the hair by electricity will be sent gladly. Write today.

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MAY CONSOLIDATE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

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response which Germany will make to the veiled ultimatum the United States sent her in reference to the Berlin "war zone" decree.

Holds Kaiser Accountable.

This government has said it will pay no attention to that decree, and that it will hold the German government "to strict accountability" for the sinking of American ships and the death of American citizens as a result of the destruction of belligerent ships. And it has added that it will:

"Take any steps it might be necessary to take to safeguard American lives and property and to secure to American citizens the full enjoyment of their acknowledged rights on the high seas."

"What are the steps threatened?" is the question of absorbing interest in diplomatic circles. Does the United States mean it will send naval vessels to the "war zone" and sink any German submarine or other man-of-war attempting to destroy an American or merchantman upon which Americans are sailing as passengers?

Will U. S. Patrol War Zone?

Does it mean that if an American ship should be sunk or American citizens, passengers on belligerent merchantmen by drowned, it will patrol the "war zone" and restrain by force further operations of a similar character of the German craft? Or does the United States mean that it will content itself by a mere demand for reparation in case a vessel is destroyed, or for indemnity should American citizens be drowned, and tell Germany again that the mistake must not recur?

The administration answers these questions with the statement that the note means precisely what it says, nothing more and nothing less. It also declares that it does not contemplate the use of force; that it is confident Germany, in view of the serious representations which have been made, will reply that there never was any intention to destroy American vessels or to drown American citizens, wherever they may be, and that due care will be taken to prevent anything of the kind.

Germany Awaits Issue.

If an accident should take place because of a mistake Germany will stand ready to make reparation. But it will not modify its purpose to sink British merchantmen, and it will insist that for American ships to travel through an area of hostile operations will be to incur a danger which is in-

advisable and unnecessary under the circumstances.

In other words the German government is expected to shift the situation until such time as "an accident" does take place and then it will take up with the United States the question of what is to be done about it.

British Note Exhaustive.

The British note in reference to contraband, which has been received is an exhaustive discussion of all the complaints made by the United States. The most serious of these relate to the holding up of foodstuffs consigned to Germany and the delay in passing upon cases brought before the prize court.

The latter difficulty has practically been obviated. The former will require further negotiation, for the Great Britain note presented has taken the position that foodstuffs, which ordinarily are conditional contraband, have become absolute contraband as a result of the action of the German government in taking control of all the food supplies in the country.

Food Liable to Seizure.

Shipments sent to Germany, therefore, it is contended become consigned to "a government department" and are as such liable to seizure under the declaration of London, which the British government has adopted in part.

The United States, on the other hand, insists, and will insist, that foodstuffs become contraband only when they are consigned to the German army or navy, or a German fortified port.

How this question is to be settled in view of the irreconcilable positions taken by the two governments, remains to be seen, but the disposition of Sir Edward Grey, as shown by the friendly terms of the note received, is to arrange the matter in a fashion which will be mutually satisfactory.

METHOD IN DOUBLE TRAGEDY

North Carolinian Brings Coffin and Then Slays Enemy and Himself.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 13.—After making a trip to Johnson City, Tenn., during which he purchased a coffin and made other preparations for death, George McAllister, a prosperous farmer living at Burnsville, N. C., near here, shot and fatally wounded Fred Ramsey, proprietor of the Ramsey hotel at Burnsville, and then committed suicide.

Notes found in the pocket of the dead man indicated that he intended to kill two other men, one of whom was out of town at the time he called and the other absent from his office. Domestic trouble is supposedly the cause.

Mrs. Muriel Phelps was in this city Wednesday visiting friends.

LATEST PHOTOGRAPH OF GERMAN CHIEF OF STAFF.



This is the latest photograph of General von Falkenhayn, the man on whom the burden of war rests more in Germany than any other except the Kaiser himself. He succeeded General von Moltke as chief of staff some weeks ago, and during

most of that time he has been in the field. General von Falkenhayn was minister of war in July when the conflict broke out, and the Kaiser was so well pleased with his work that he was promoted as soon as von Moltke was displaced.

BOYS ESCAPE NOOSE ON ACCOUNT OF AGES

Judge Felt Like Hanging Slay-ers of Bachelor Brothers.

Cairo, Ill., Feb. 13.—Declaring that had it not been for their youth he would have sentenced them to be hanged, Judge William N. Butler sentenced Leslie Moody and Thomas Clapp to the penitentiary for life for the murder of David and Adam Brown near Diswood last December.

Clapp, the elder of the pair, who is 21, cried while he was telling the story of the tragedy that blotted out the lives of the bachelor brothers in their lonely cabin. Leslie Moody, aged sixteen, told his story with a stolid face, looking Judge Butler squarely in the eye.

Judge Butler asked the youths if they had read Jesse James stories or attended any picture shows where scenes of train robberies or murders were shown. Clapp said he had not, but Moody admitted that he had read some of these stories and had seen the picture shows. Clapp is Moody's uncle.

CLOVER AND SAND.

The Conditions Under Which They May Be Fatal to Horses.

Balls composed of millions of tiny hairs from the crimson clover plant are sometimes taken from the alimentary tracts of horses. The formation of these strange felt-like balls in the intestines of horses is a singular feature of the somewhat rare cases where nature seems to have made no provision to protect her creatures against their common instincts.

Crimson clover is an excellent forage plant, and all kinds of stock animals graze it greedily, yet if it is eaten in the full ripe stage it almost invariably results in these felt balls, which are nearly always fatal to horses and mules. Man, however, can control the trouble by feeding the clover before it has become mature, when the small hairs are still soft and digestible.

A quite similar example of one of Dame Nature's slips is the sanding of horses in Florida and other very sandy regions. Here animals in close grazing swallow considerable quantities of sand, and in horses this sand compacts into balls in the animal's digestive tract which become cemented and as hard as rock, choking up the intestines and causing the death of the horse, accompanied by great agony. There is no known remedy for cases of either the crimson clover ball or for sanding.—Washington Star.

STINGING A HORSE TRADER.

Smart Girl Put It Over On Him to the Delight of the Crowd.

"I saw a mighty smart young girl stinging a horse trader and throw his doctored horse back on him before everyone. She examined the horse closely about the ears for shot, and smelt of the hoofs for turpentine. If a horse is lame through sore feet, things can be temporarily fixed by heating turpentine and pouring it over the hoofs. For that matter, she went over that horse for all the tricks known. You see, her dad was a horseman. She took the eyes for blindness, carted the horse to the sun to see him blink, and examined his eyebrows to see if they were triangular or wrinkled. Evidently she knew the trick of clearing a blind eye by belladonna or bloodroot. Then she came to the nose and laughed out when she noticed the nostrils had been slit a little in the thin part. Turning to the boy she said, 'Give him a drink and run him around, and then we can see what this horse has got. When he came back I noticed signs of heaves, and, sure enough, that was what the horse had to a high degree. Everybody gave the dealer the laugh to think that a girl could beat him.'—Farm and Fireside.

A DEMOCRATIC KING.

The Fine Common Sense of Albert of Belgium.

When King Albert of Belgium visited Paris in 1910 it was noted that in his speech at the Elysee he referred to the Belgians as "my compatriots," not "my subjects." This way of speaking is typical of one who delights above all things in being democratic. Not long before his accession the king and his wife went for a prolonged ramble round Belgium, studying provincial and local peculiarities and maintaining the strictest incognito throughout their journey. They lived in inns the life of the common people and did not disdain the rough resorts of fishermen and sailors. Their experience proved so favorable that the king and queen have repeated it more than once, and it may be safely asserted that the knowledge thus gained by them of their "compatriots" is without a parallel in the lives of European monarchs.

Work the Only Way.

In England the war has brought to poverty a large number of persons who were formerly well to do. Their tragedy is the result of a calamity that no one could foresee. No parent can be certain that his children may some day come to poverty. There is no guarantee against it. The best insurance is to teach them to work. Probably the best asset any youth can have is the ability to cultivate the soil. That is the most permanent and universal of trades.



SCENE FROM GEORGE M. COHAN'S "MINUTES FROM BROADWAY" TO BE PRESENTED AT THE OPERA HOUSE ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

SPAIN REQUESTS POWERS TO STOP MEXICAN ANARCHY

NEWS DISPATCH FROM MADRID INDICATES "WATCHFUL WAITING" MUST CEASE

(Associated Press)

London, Feb. 13.—The Spanish government has made application to the powers in order to obtain joint action to end what is termed to be a state of anarchy in Mexico, according to a news dispatch from Madrid.

FOOD FAMINE AT MEXICO CITY IS BAD

ZAPATA FORCES HAVE DESTROYED WATER WORKS—SITUATION IS CRITICAL.

(Associated Press)

Washington, Feb. 13.—Zapata's forces today destroyed the waterworks of Mexico City and the food famine there has become critical, say official advices to the state department today. The indications are that the Carranza forces may soon evacuate.

\$195 PER ACRE NEAR AMBOY

This afternoon at the court house the Buckingham farm of 80 acres, located two miles north of Amboy, was sold at public sale by Master-in-Chancery Mark Keller to settle up the estate. Andrew Schmitt, who owns land adjoining the Buckingham tract, purchased the same, his bid being \$195 per acre.

KNEW PRESIDENT AS YOUTH

Former Worshipper at Wilson's Father's Church Dies at Rock Island.

Rock Island, Ill., Feb. 13.—Mrs. Caroline S. Crawford, who was ninety-three years old last October, died at the home of her son, W. H. Crawford, in Rock Island. She was born and lived most of her life in Staunton, Va., where she was a charter member of the church of which President Wilson's father was pastor. She remembered the man who is now this nation's chief executive when he was an infant and was known as "Tommy," rather than Woodrow Wilson.

For many years she was connected with the Mary Baldwin seminary at Staunton, which was founded by her niece, Mary Baldwin.

WOMAN "VET" SEEKS CASH

Went Through Civil War as Man—Seeks Increase of Pay.

Quincy, Ill., Feb. 13.—The woman who posed as a man and fought in the civil war and entered the State Soldiers' home under the name of Albert D. J. Cashier has applied for an increase of pension. She has been receiving \$12 a month, but now asks the advance due to veterans who reach the age of seventy-two years.

Clarence Turned was in Sterling Thursday evening.

Miss Helen Gorham of Dixon spent Thursday evening in Sterling.

TO HEAR KRAMER.

Sheriff R. R. Phillips and Frank Schoenholz went to Sublette today to bring back to this city Philip Kramer who will be given a hearing as to his sanity.

Cut the Cost of Living!

ZEPHYR FLOUR

Costs far less than meat
Exceeds meat in food value

SLAVE TRAFFIC AT NEW ANGLE

Gypsy Confession Said to Reveal Nationwide Plot.

WHITE GIRLS AMONG VICTIMS

Sales Said to Be Consummated Much as Those of Ball Players Under National Commission—Kokomo, Ind., Clearing House for Cities of United States.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 13.—New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, New Orleans, Dallas and Kansas City are white slave markets where gypsy girls and white girls, the latter stolen, are sold for sums ranging from \$200 to \$2,500. This is the statement made by Wm. F. Fitch, special investigator of the department of justice, in an official report sent to Washington.

Fitch's report follows several weeks of secret inquiry and contains a confession made to him by the wealthy chief of a local gypsy band. According to this man's statement he is worth nearly \$600,000, having half a million dollars deposit in Chicago banks and \$40,000 in Denver.

Death Brings Out Story. In fear of death this chief told Fitch that for several years gypsy bands in all parts of the country have traded in girls, obtaining for them sums seldom below \$1,000. The traffic began with gypsy girls. Chicago has been the clearing house for the slaves who were brought from all parts of the country to Kokomo, Ind., and there held until sold. Often the girls were "farmed" out or resold, much as base ball players are handled.

Fitch, who tried desperately to prevent the story becoming public, has verified it and says that within a few days a nation wide inquiry will be under way, with the possibility of wholesale arrests in all parts of the country.

Old Story to Uncle Sam.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Department of justice officials denied that any arrests are likely to be made in the near future as the result of the story of an alleged white slave market, concerning which a report has been made by Wm. A. Fitch, a special investigator at Denver, Colo. The information upon which Fitch is said to be based was secured from a man named Stanley Mitchell, who has told similar stories to white slave agents of the department at New York, Chicago, Detroit and other large cities. In each instance the government has made a thorough investigation of Mitchell's charge, but never has developed evidence which was deemed sufficient to warrant indictments.

Germany Warns Ships From Coast.

Copenhagen, Denmark, Feb. 13.—Germany has informed the Scandinavian governments that no foreign fishing or coasting ships will be permitted, until further notice, within a certain area of the coast of Schleswig-Holstein or off the German North sea coast westward of the Elbe and Weser and the East Frisia Islands.

Newspaper First to Feel Act.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 13.—Legal proceedings under a new law have been started by Attorney General W. L. Martin against the Montgomery Advertiser, to enjoin that newspaper from publishing liquor advertisements.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. Holland's topics for the Sunday services will be:

Morning: "Leanness of the Soul" and in the evening: "Value of a Test."

STILL ALARM TODAY.

The fire department answered a still alarm this morning at 10:20 o'clock from the Steel flats at the corner of Second street and Ottawa avenue. The chimney had been burning out and the suction of the wind carried the smoke down rolling over the roof to the edge of the cornice and persons at the Elks' club noticed the smoke and turned in an alarm.

Dramatic Notes

FAMILY THEATRE

Joe Marks and his Kid Players in the children's playground act at the Family this week is delighting large crowds. The act is replete with catchy music, songs and dances and is built for laughing purposes. It is beautifully staged and gowned and has been immensely popular since the opening night. The Junets, an acrobatic novelty, is well worth the price of admission and should be witnessed by everyone.

Pictures tonight are: Ann, the Blacksmith, in two parts, and Sweedie at the Fair.

"FORTY-FIVE MINUTES FROM BROADWAY."

One characteristic of "Forty-Five Minutes from Broadway," Georg M. Cohan's wonderfully successful music drama, which will be seen at the Opera House, next Thursday night, is the careful attention paid to detail throughout. Not only has an admirable pair of actors been secured for the more important roles as proven by the presence of "Corinne" and Bernard Riggs at the head of the company, but an excellent dancing and singing chorus back them up.

PRINCESS THEATRE.

Tonight the Princess theater will show four reels of good pictures, Mr. Slothower is trying to arrange his programs the very best he can and give the public a variety of pictures and on the bill tonight he has booked a very good two reel feature entitled

"Through the Muck," a Domino feature with an all star cast. It is a story which is very cleverly told showing the life of a young girl brought up in crime and filth. The other pictures are "The Crucifixion of Al Brady," an American drama, with Ed Cohan and Winifred Greenwood in the leading roles, a story wherein a severe lesson decides a boy to be somebody. The other reel is a Keystone comedy entitled "Only a Farmer's Daughter," very funny and laughable.

AMBOY FAILED TO SHOW UP

The Amboy Maroons failed to show up for their basketball game to have been played last evening with the R. R. M. A. team at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. A game later on will no doubt be arranged for.

FOOT CRUSHED BY PLOW SHARE

Ole Peterson, an employe at the Grand Detour plow works, was painfully hurt Friday afternoon when a heavy plow share fell on his foot, severely crushing it. The foot was so badly lacerated that it was impossible to determine whether or not any of the bones had been broken and that detail can not be determined until an X-ray examination of the injured member is made.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

On Sunday evening at the West Side Congregational church Rev. C. E. Stebbins, will give an illustrated lecture on the earthquake and the war zone. He will take for his subject "Life in the Middle Ages," showing the life of Florence, Italy, and its progress.

DIXON OPERA HOUSE THURSDAY NIGHT, FEB. 18

GEO. M. COHAN'S
: Famous Musical Play :

"45 MINUTES FROM"
BROADWAY

WITH "CORINNE"
GERNARD RIGGS

Big Cast--Chorus
CAR LOAD of SCENERY

Prices: 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50
SEAT SALE AT CAMPBELL'S DRUG STORE.

BRASS BEDS ARE COOL

Put a candle in the bottom of a deep box. You'll see the flame flicker low and perhaps go out.

There is no air current.

A bed with solid high foot-board and head-board acts in much the same way.

Brass Beds--especially for summer, are preferable because they let air through all around.

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Good assortment to select from at

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The Exploits of Elaine

A Detective Novel and a Motion Picture Drama

By ARTHUR B. REEVE

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Creator of the "Craig Kennedy" Stories

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A cold steel revolver pressed down on Doctor Martin's stomach.

The other crooks next carried Elaine, struggling, and threw her down beside the wounded man.

Doctor Martin, still covered by the gun, bent over the two, the hardened criminal and the delicate, beautiful girl. Clutching Hand glared fiendishly, insanely.

From his bag he took a little piece of something that shone like silver. A moment later, Doctor Martin looked up at the Clutching Hand and nodded. "Well, it's working!"

All were now bending over the two. Doctor Martin bent closest over Elaine. He looked at her anxiously, felt her pulse, watched her breathing, then pursed up his lips.

"This is dangerous," he ventured, gazing askance at the grim Clutching Hand.

"Can't help it," came back laconically, and relentlessly.

The doctor shuddered.

The man was a veritable vampire.

Outside the deserted house, Kennedy and I were looking helplessly about. Suddenly Kennedy reached into his pocket and produced and pulled out a police whistle. He blew three sharp blasts.

Would it bring help?

While we were thus despairing, the continued absence of Doctor Martin from his home had alarmed his family, and had set in motion another train of events.

When he did not return, and could not be located at the place to which he was supposed to have gone, several policemen had been summoned to his house, and they had come, finally, with real bloodhounds from a suburban station.

It had not been long before the party came across the deserted runabout beside the road. There they had stopped for a moment.

It was just then that they heard Kennedy's call, and one of them had been detailed to answer it.

"Well, what do you want?" asked the officer, eyeing Kennedy suspiciously as he stood there with the armor. "What's them pieces of tin—hey?"

Kennedy quickly flashed his own special badge. "I want to trail a girl," he exclaimed hurriedly. "Can I find a bloodhound about here?"

"A bound? Why, we have a pack—over there."

"Bring them—quick!" ordered Craig. Kennedy held the armor down to the dogs. "Searchlight" gave a low whine, then, followed by "Bob" and the others, was off, all with noses close to the ground. We followed.

In the mysterious haunt of the Clutching Hand, all were still standing around Elaine and the wounded Pitts Slim.

Just then a cry from one of the group startled the rest. One of them, less hardened than the Clutching Hand, had turned away from the sight, had gone to the window, and had been attracted by something outside.

"Look!" he cried.

From the absolute stillness of death there was now wild excitement among the crooks.

"Police! Police!" they shouted to each other as they fled by a doorway to a secret passage.

Clutching Hand turned to his first assistant.

"You go, too," he ordered.

The dogs had led us to a strange looking house, and were now baying

SAM AND WATERLOO

By EUGENE TOWNSEND.

"I haven't any prejudice against you because you are in business, Mr. Butts," repeated the earl of Waterbury. "None whatever. I understand that the United States Watch company is a prosperous and honorable concern. Pray put that idea out of your head. I myself am connected with a farm—er, products institution."

In point of fact the earl of Waterbury was the head of a model dairy, and therefore could have no such objection against Sam Butts of Birmingham, New York, formerly, but now domiciled in London.

"But as for your marrying Lady Muriel, Mr. Butts, it is out of the question," the earl continued. "You are an American. I say nothing against you on that score. If you could have had the choice you would, of course, have been born an Englishman. Far be it from me to penalize a man for a misfortune of birth. But, sir, you cannot understand the English spirit. You are ignorant of our sports. Only yesterday you remarked in my presence that you hoped Surrey would score a run in its eighth inning. Mr. Butts, there are only two innings in cricket, and Surrey did not score a run, it scored 237 runs. In short, sir, you have not the essential temperament to admit of an instant's consideration of your preposterous request. Besides, I intend that Lady Muriel shall marry Mr. Charles Stephen Langholme. Good-day, sir."

Sammy had known that it was a forlorn hope. He and Lady Muriel had been in love with each other for six months, ever since they had met, in fact, Mr. Butts moved in good society; he was a presentable young man, and a Cornell graduate; but that did not make any difference in the earl's eyes. He had never heard of Cornell and would not have cared if he had heard of it. The earl was intensely English, and a devotee of sport. "The battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton," was his favorite slogan. But he did not call it a slogan. He called it an original remark, and each time he uttered it he thought he was giving a new idea to the world.

There was nothing the matter with Charles Stephen Langholme. He had assimilated himself so well to the prevailing style that there was nothing to him at all. He had no individuality. If you had removed Mr. Langholme

from the world a thousand other Langholmes would have leaped in to take his inconspicuous place. And Lady Muriel, bound by tradition as she was, knew that she would have to marry Mr. Langholme unless he died, cheated at cards, or scored a "duck's egg" in the forthcoming match between Gentlemen and Players at the Oval.

Mr. Langholme, needless to say, was playing cricket for the Gentlemen.

Yes, there was that one point about Mr. Langholme. He was a good cricketer. He had a batting average of 47 for the season. If he went down ignominiously before the bowling of the demon bowler, a coarse fellow named Hobbs, the earl's disgust might possibly induce him to consider some other man's suit—not Mr. Butts'.

"I'm afraid it's useless, Sammy," sighed Lady Muriel. "I've got to marry Charles."

"Why have you got to marry Charles?" demanded Sammy truculently.

"Because it's the proper thing," said his beloved. "If we got married there wouldn't be any bridesmaids." And she looked at him piteously.

Sammy looked back at her and knew that he was "up against it." But that only set his Birmingham brains to working faster. Sammy had been a pretty good ball player in his day. Why shouldn't he make a cricketer?

A sleepless night produced a brilliant scheme. He would do it. He would! And he wouldn't say a word to anybody about it. He kept away from Muriel. But he induced the earl to send him a ticket of admission to the grand stand.

So, on the day of the match, behold Sammy, in cricketing flannels—which should have been a frock coat and a high hat—loitering near the pavilion, about which a number of flannel-clad men are congregated, Players and Gentlemen, all on good terms with each other, and each side waiting to "knock the stuffing" out of the other.

Behold, too, Mr. Langholme, testing his new bat and watching with cool disdain the low Hobbs, who is twisting a cricket ball lovingly in his hand.

Sammy, being in flannels, manages to gain entrance to the sacred inclosure during the Gentlemen's second inning. It should be explained that since the Players had scored 267 and the Gentlemen only 75, the Gentlemen were having their second inning on top of the first, the Players fully expecting to wallop them with one inning to their two, and a good many runs over. And when the next wicket fell Mr. Langholme, the Gentlemen's hope, who had made a creditable 18 in his first attempt, was to try to retrieve the situation.

"Hello, Butts! How did you get here?" inquired Langholme, with languid interest.

Sammy smiled. "Have a bracer, and I'll tell you," he said.

He led the unresisting Langholme toward the little booth behind the pavilion. Nobody was there, Sammy having squared the booth man. With a deft, unexpected movement of the arm, Sammy thrust a gag into Mr. Langholme's mouth. Then he threw him on the floor behind the booth and tied him fast with a rope that he had taken from about his waist.

Next instant shouts of "Langholme! Next man!" resounded, and Sammy saw one of the Gentlemen walking off the field with his wicket down.

Sammy hastily thrust on a pair of knee-guards, took the bat that lay beside the glaring, speechless Mr. Langholme, and walked out into the field.

"Langholme's had a stroke," he explained truthfully to the retiring batsman. "I've taken his place."

A minute later he was standing before his wicket, facing the demon Hobbs, 22 yards away. Beside him stood a second batsman. Sammy didn't know why he was standing there, but he didn't care, either. If he could hit the ball with a baseball bat, what couldn't he do with the club in his hand? He held it over his shoulder instead of putting it down in the block. The spectators gasped.

"Play!" yelled the umpire. The demon's arm went up above his head, and the ball trundled slowly toward Sammy. Sammy let fly, and the ball went spinning across the field. Next instant the second batsman was at his side.

"Run, sir," he gasped. "Run!" And Sammy ran to the opposite wicket. Next minute the batsman was back at his side again.

"Run, sir!" he gasped.

So Sammy ran again, and then again. It was tiring work, and, not understanding that he was to stop when the ball was retrieved, he started a fourth time, and only got back to his crease without having his wicket down by a miracle of luck.

The demon scowled and sent down a high lob. Sammy, half way across the pitch, caught it and sent it beyond the boundary.

"Get back!" yelled the other batsman. "That's a boundary. That's a four hit."

Then Sammy understood something of the principle. When you hit the ball you run, but if you could hit it beyond the boundary you scored four automatically. That was easier.

After that Sammy began hitting four every time. Of course, he had intervals of rest, because every fifth or sixth ball the field dissolved like a kaleidoscope and he found himself standing idly beside the bowler. But then again the field would be rearranged, and Sammy would face the demon Hobbs, who, much discomfited, would try him with new kinds of balls. There were fast balls and slow balls, spinning balls and breaking balls. Sammy didn't care. Each ball went to the boundary for four. The field was extended almost to the boundary to stop his strikes, but they failed. The ball went whizzing over their heads. In half an hour Sammy's score stood at 150, and the cheers of the spectators were continuous.

In two hours Sammy had passed the two hundred mark. He didn't care anything about Hobbs now, or any of the other bowlers. With his bat over his shoulder he just waited, and then, shutting one eye, he swiped. The Players were demoralized.

But the Gentlemen did not win. They were some 200 points ahead, and still going strong, when time was called. And Sammy, still with the bat over his shoulder, found himself surrounded by a cheering, raving mob.

The first face he looked into was the earl's.

"My boy!" he gasped. "Why didn't you tell me? You have saved the honor of the day. The battle of Waterloo—an impressive pause—'was won on the playing fields of Eton, sir. Is there anything—anything I can do for you to acknowledge your magnificent triumph?"

"Yes," said Sammy. "Give me Lady Muriel."

On the outskirts of the crowd Sammy saw Mr. Langholme trying to get near him. He looked as flustered as such a gentlemanly man could look, and he might even have been goaded into slapping Sammy, but he couldn't get near enough.

The earl looked at the lovers and relented.

"Take her, my boy," he faltered. "It is your right. For the battle of Waterloo—"

"Yes, I know," answered Sammy. (Copyright, 1914, by W. G. Chapman.)

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a special execution and fee bill, issued out of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Illinois, on the 12th day of January, A. D. 1915, at the instance of Louisa Miller, executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Anna Miller, deceased, plaintiff, against J. F. McGinnis, defendant, I have heretofore levied on all right, title, interest and claim of J. F. McGinnis in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Commencing at the point where the east line of the Southwest Quarter of Section One, in Township Twenty-one, North, Range Eight, East of the 4th P. M., in Lee County, Illinois, intersects Rock River, and running thence north along the east line of said Quarter Section to the center of said Section One, thence west on the north line of said Southwest Quarter to a point which is seventeen chains and twenty-three and one-half links east of the northwest corner of said Southwest Quarter, thence south, thirteen degrees and twenty minutes east, fifty-four chains and seventy-six links, more or less to Rock River, and thence easterly along Rock River to the place of beginning, and I hereby give notice that by virtue of the power in me vested, by virtue of said special execution and fee bill, I shall, on the 15th day of March, A. D. 1915, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., offer for sale at public auction at the north door of the Court House in Dixon, in said County, all right, title and interest of J. F. McGinnis in the above described real estate, to satisfy the said special execution and fee bill.

Dated at Dixon, Illinois, this 12th day of February, A. D. 1915.
R. R. PHILLIPS,
Sheriff of Lee County, Illinois.
HENRY C. WARNER,
Attorney.

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LOST. About 6:30 Tuesday evening, between postoffice and 733 E. 3rd St., a small brown purse containing about \$6 in bills and change, 11 two-cent stamps and 4 small keys on ring. If finder wishes money, please return keys and stamps, as they are not my property, to above address or this office. 2436

EAST PRUSSIA IS CLEARED OF RUSS

Petrograd Reports Retirement of Czar's Forces.

SIX BATTLES ARE STILL RAGING

German Reinforcements at Extreme Eastern Front Rout Invaders—New Teuton Drive Toward Warsaw—Russians Fortify Positions to Make Poland Impregnable.

London, Feb. 13.—There can be no doubt that a crisis in the military situation of the eastern war zone is rapidly developing and out of it will come the decision whether in the near future Germany is to capture Warsaw, cut off the Russian base of supplies with a large slice of Russian Poland territory or whether Russia is to overrun the Carpathians, sweep toward Koenigsberg and East Prussia and assume the mastery of that important theater of the war. No official statement nor unofficial report is yet able to establish sufficiently what the issue of this impending battle is to be. Lives are being sacrificed daily in a half dozen engagements which would have been pitched battles in other wars, an immense quantity of ammunition is being used and an immense number of men are fighting twenty-four hours a day as never men fought before, but still the ultimate issue has not been joined and all moves are for strategic purposes.

Russ Quit East Prussia. This much is known: The Russians have retired from East Prussia before an enormous force of Germans, the regular forces of General Von Francois having been reinforced by 160,000 new men, troops shifted from the center, reservists and new recruits. The Russian line which ten days ago was a crescent from the Mazurian lakes to Tilsit on the north is now swung over the border, and while preserving the same formation, rests on its left in the province of Plock and with its right end in the province of Kovno.

Germans Drive Toward East. There is no doubt that the German forces are driving directly southeast as if to pierce the Russian center and it is now operating in Russian territory. Continuing this drive successfully would place them to the eastward of Warsaw and in a position to command the communications of the Russian armies operating in the Carpathians. According to the reports from Berlin the Russians are now fortifying Ivanogrod, Brest Litovsk and Kovno, which would put them on the defensive behind the Polish capital, the Russians have defended so desperately, and render that capital untenable.

Petrograd and Berlin both agree that the battle issue will be joined to the north and east of these points and it will decide the situation in Russia, at least for a time.

Russ Lose 26,000 Prisoners. Reports from three capitals also concede or claim that the Russian advantage in the Carpathians with Dukla pass on the north has been maintained. In that section for a distance of at least sixty miles the Russians are over the mountains and have a foothold on Hungarian territory.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—(Via wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—Twenty-six thousand Russian prisoners have been taken in the recent victories over the retreating forces of the enemy in East Prussia, it was announced in official dispatches. Important German gains against the French lines near Verdun also were reported.

"Emperor William has arrived on the battle front in the east," it was officially announced. "Our operations there have forced the Russians to give up their positions rapidly. Fighting around the Mazurian lakes continues. So far about 26,000 prisoners and more than twenty guns and thirty machine guns have been taken by our forces."

"In Poland the Germans continued the offensive reported yesterday, capturing Sierpe, on the right bank of the Vistula, and taking several hundred prisoners. On the left bank of the Vistula the situation is unchanged."

Germans Loss 40,000 Dead. Paris, Feb. 13.—An official statement given out at the war office today announced the complete failure of the German offensive in Poland. The statement follows:

"The failure of recent attacks by the Germans in Poland appears to be complete. The losses of the Germans are unprecedented. It is reported that they exceed 40,000 dead. "Cold and the frequent use of dense formations are among the causes given for the losses of the Germans. An eyewitness of the battle declares that machine guns mowed down the ranks of the enemy like a steel blade. When the combat ended the Russians saw hills of dead before them. At

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AGED WOMAN IS MURDERED

Husband of Bradner, O. Victim Also Probably Fatally Beaten.

Gibsonburg, O., Feb. 13.—Mrs. Joseph Kimbel, seventy years old, was murdered, and her husband, Joseph Kimbel, aged seventy-two, was probably fatally beaten at their home near Bradner. County authorities have sent bloodhounds to the scene in the hope of trailing the murderers, thought to be two or more in number.

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ILLINOIS CENTRAL RY.

Correct time of all trains leaving Dixon that carry passengers and freight. *Daily. *Daily except Sunday.

South Bound.

Local Express, Dly ex Sun 7:15 a. m.

123 Southern Exp.: 11:16 a. m.

21 Clinton Exp.: 6:10 p. m.

North Bound.

132 Waterloo Exp.: 9:59 a. m.

24 Local Mail: 6:35 p. m.

20 Local Exp.: 8:16 p. m.

Freight Freight: 12:30 p. m.

CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN RY.

Correct time of all passenger trains leaving Dixon. Daily except where otherwise specified:

East Bound to Chicago.

No. Lv. Dixon Ar. Chicago

6 3:23 a. m. 6:45 a. m.

24 6:23 a. m. 9:05 p. m.

28 7:21 a. m. dly ex Sun 10:30 a. m.

18 8:05 a. m. 11:00 a. m.

10 10:40 a. m. dly 1:20 p. m.

20 11:01 a. m. dly ex Sun 2:25 p. m.

4 4:21 p. m. dly ex Sun 7:25 p. m.

100 4:15 p. m. Sun only 7:25 p. m.

12 6:10 p. m. 8:40 p. m.

West Bound.

No. Lv. Chicago Ar. Dixon

5 7:00 a. m. ex Sun 10:20 a. m.

99 7:10 a. m. Sun only 10:23 a. m.

13 10:30 a. m. 1:05 p. m.

19 12:15 p. m. dly ex Sun 3:24 p. m.

27 4:20 p. m. dly ex Sun 7:26 p. m.

11 6:05 p. m. 8:40 p. m.

25 6:10 p. m. 8:57 p. m.

17 9:31 p. m. 11:53 p. m.

*7 10:02 p. m. 12:36 a. m.

3 10:45 p. m. 1:57 a. m.

No. Lv. Dixon Ar. Peoria

801 8:35 Peoria Pas. 11:52 a. m.

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INTERURBAN LINE.

Correct time of the departure of cars on the S. D. & E. E. Ry., in effect on February 1, 1915:

Lv. Dixon Lv. Sterling

5:45 6:45

7:30 8:15

9:00 9:45

10:30 11:15

12:01 12:01

1:00 1:00

2:00 2:00

3:00 3:00

4:00 4:00

5:00 5:00

6:00 6:00

7:00 7:00

8:00 8:00

9:00 9:45

10:45 11:30

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East Mail.

Train No. 6 3:00 a. m.

Train No. 28 6:55 a. m.

Train No. 20 10:40 a. m.

Train No. 4 3:55 p. m.

Train No. 12 5:40 p. m.

West Mail.

Train No. 5 9:40 a. m.

Train No. 13 12:40 p. m.

Train No. 27 7:00 p. m.

Train No. 9 8:20 p. m.

Train No. 15 1:30 a. m.

South Mail.

Train No. 119 6:55 a. m.

Train No. 123 10:40 a. m.

Train No. 131 4:50 p. m.

North Mail.

Train No. 132 9:40 a. m.

Train No. 124 4:50 p. m.

Train No. 120 7:55 p. m.

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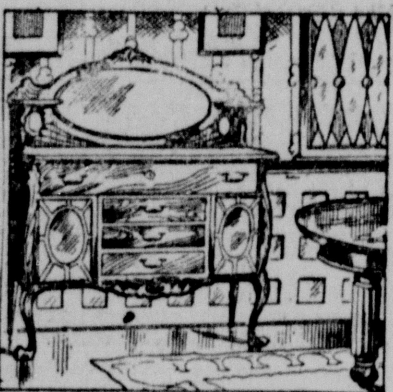
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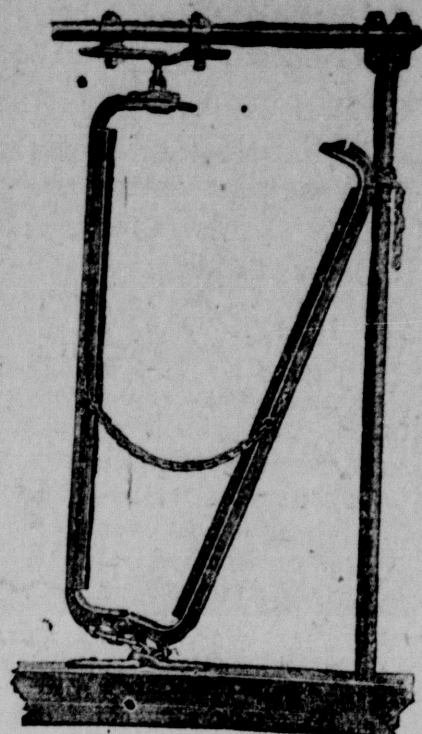
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